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## TRIUMPHANT HOMECOMING OF PLATE BATTLE HEROES: SALUTE TAKEN BY FIRST LORD



Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty.

### Hand-To-Hand Fighting On Karelian Isthmus

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—Hand-to-hand fighting in which the Finns are using their kukkas—long knives—as well as bayonets continued today on the Karelian Isthmus.

Although the Finns are not disguising the seriousness of the situation, they are not showing undue alarm. They point out that after two-and-a-half months of fighting, and a loss of about 250,000 men, all the Russians have to show is a preliminary foothold on the outside edge of the Mannerheim Line and a few of wild Finnish territory in the north.

Four regiments of tanks, it is stated, are being used by the Russians on the Isthmus, 150 at Muola and 250 at Suma.

#### OUT OF ACTION

The Finnish General Staff claim that half the total number of Russian tanks so far used have already been put out of action. The remainder of the tanks, however, are able to advance without any land obstacles in the Suma sector where there is a certain amount of open ground covered with snow which has been trampled down and frozen hard.

Bombs, as well as shells, are still being showered on the Isthmus and on one Finnish coastal port on Lake Ladoga the Russians have dropped 500 bombs without gaining a single hit.

#### PRAYING FOR SNOW

The Finns are now praying for a heavy fall of snow which would cripple Russian activity on land and air and give the Finnish soldiers a breathing spell.

Russia is now using men from a wide area for Russian soldiers, recently taken prisoner, come from the Turkish border.

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## BURMA'S SECURITY AS A MEMBER OF BRITISH EMPIRE IS EMPHASISED

RANGOON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—"Dominion status was not in the nature of a gift or reward, conferred on a particular part of the Empire, but a recognition of the fact of the maintenance of good Government brought about by development of the constitution leading to wider powers until a full and responsible self-Government is achieved within the Commonwealth."

Thus declared the Governor of Burma, Sir Archibald Douglas Cochrane, K.C.S.I., in a speech from the Throne, in which he emphasised Burma's security as a member of the British Empire.

His Excellency added: "When so many small countries have suffered temporary extinction of their

## Exeter Bears Scars Of Fight With Graf Spee

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—H.M.S. EXETER, FLAGSHIP OF REAR-ADMIRAL SIR HENRY HARWOOD, K.C.B., BEARING SCARS OF THE BATTLE WITH THE GERMAN POCKET-BATTLESHIP GRAF SPEE IN THE PLATE RIVER IN DECEMBER, SLOWLY AND TRIUMPHANTLY SAILED INTO PLYMOUTH WATERS THIS MORNING TO THE WELCOMING HOOTS OF SHIPS' SIRENS AND FULL-THROATED CHEERING OF THE MASSES OF PEOPLE LINING THE WATERFRONT.

SOON AFTER DAYBREAK THE EXETER DROPPED ANCHOR IN THE SOUND AND SOON THE NEWS SPREAD AND THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WENT TO THE FAMOUS PLYMOUTH ROE AND ASSEMBLED BY THE STATUE OF SIR FRANCIS DRAKE AND BEGAN THEIR LONG, TUMULTUOUS AND HEARTY WELCOME TO BRITAIN'S MOST MODERN SEA HEROES.

The Exeter was no longer the graceful, tall-masted cruiser that set forth before the war. Evidence of her battle with the Graf Spee was in her shortened masts and newly-painted gun turrets.

Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, took the salute from Mount Wise, with the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, G.C.B., the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, and the Commander-in-Chief of the Western Approaches, Admiral Sir Martin

Dunbar-Nasmith, V.C., beside him, as the Exeter, piloted by a tug, rounded the headland.

#### ROUSING CHEERS

A bugler on Mount Wise sounded the salute and H.M.S. Exeter responded with three rousing cheers and Mr. Churchill whipped off his hat.

With the Exeter's band playing "Rule Britannia," in which the thousands on shore joined in, sirens and hooters on every craft in the vicinity added to the terrific volume of the welcome.

Mr. Churchill later boarded H.M.S. Exeter.



Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, First Sea Lord.

## Australia To Increase Armament Production

SYDNEY, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—A broadcast states that the Australian Cabinet is meeting to discuss measures for a big increase in the production of arms, ammunition and aeroplanes for Great Britain.

Economic measures to secure the purchase of the necessary raw materials would be discussed at the same time.

Big reserves of gold and dollars have been established abroad. As a result of these efforts, Australia, with Canada, would be in a position to produce more than half the military aeroplanes needed by Britain in the present war.

## JAPANESE RETREATING TO NANNING AFTER DEFEAT IN PINYANG & WUMING AREAS

LIUCHOW, Feb. 15 (Central).—After their defeat in the Pinyang and Wuming areas, the Japanese troops are retreating toward Nanning.

On the Nanning-Wuming highway, the Chinese are pursuing the enemy and have reached Kaofengngau, 14 miles north of Nanning. To the west of the Nanning-Pinyang highway the Chinese are following closely on the heels of the fleeing Japanese.

Intermittent gunfire is audible in the hilly regions to the north of Nanning, indicating Chinese vanguard action.

#### AIR CASUALTIES

KUNMING, Feb. 15 (Central).—In addition to one plane shot down, two other machines of a Japanese air squadron raiding the Yunnan Railway, on Feb. 13, are believed to have been damaged.

The wreckage of the plane shot down has been located in the southern suburbs of Wenshan, 30 miles east of the railroad, with all its occupants killed. It will be transported to Kunming for exhibition.

#### JAPAN ATTACKED

LOYANG, Feb. 15 (Central).—The Japanese at Lifeng, west of Taiacuo, the coal mining town on the Taokou-Chinghsia Railway, in North Honan, were evicted on the morning of February 6 by the Chinese to a neighbouring place where they were subjected to a fierce attack. They lost over 100 men and a quantity of arms and ammunition.

#### JAPANESE THREAT

CHENGCHOW, Feb. 15 (Central).—Another Japanese thrust at the Chinese positions near Tsinnyang, on the North bank of the Yellow

## Magnificent Gifts From India For War Effort

LONDON, Feb. 15 (BWS).—War contributions in money and kind continue to reach the Viceroy from all classes of Indian society. The magnitude of their generosity is illustrated by the following contributions which appear in the latest list received from India.

From the Maharaja of Bhavnagar two lakhs (200,000) of rupees and the work shops of Bhavnagar State Railway for the manufacture of munitions and other articles useful in the prosecution of the war.

From the Maharaja of Rewa food and agricultural produce, valued at one lakh, for the defence of India service or for export.

From the Maharaja of Dewas an ambulance unit, with 32 stretcher bearers, an Indian officer and sub-assistant surgeon.

From the Nawab of Kurwal 2,500 rupees for aid of British wounded.

From the Maharaja of Cochin one lakh of rupees and 2,000 rupees each to the Indian Red Cross and St. Dunstan's Hostel.

#### FOR WAR DEPARTMENT

From the Maharaja of Jaisalmer 5,000 rupees for the War Department and 1,000 rupees each to the Indian Red Cross and St. Dunstan's Hostel.

From the Maharaja of Bikaner, in addition to previous donations, 1,000 mounds (80,000 lb.) of babul tree bark for munitions.

From the Mir of Hunza 2,000 rupees.

A Sikh living in Teheran, has given 5,555 rupees, a Mohammed, Elias Khan, living in the Netherlands, 42 rupees, and Mr. P. Chacko, a Pothead, a second consignment of 500 lb. of tea for the troops.

There are a large number of recurring contributions from one rupee monthly upwards while several sums from humble donors are earmarked for the aid of British wounded.

The approximate totals now stand at 50 lakhs of rupees non-recurring and 34 lakhs of rupees recurring.

#### FROM ARGENTINE

The Chairman of the British Community Council in the Argentine has despatched to England a sum of \$20,000 from funds subscribed by the British community to the British Patriotic Fund. Of this sum, half has been sent to the Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund and half to Lord Baldwin's Fund for the Merchant Service.

An additional \$1,000 was given to Rear-Admiral Sir Henry Harwood for the dependent of wounded in his three ships.

Up-to-date donations from the British community in the Argentine have totalled \$260,000 whilst promises of further subscriptions will increase this total to \$122,200 by the end of October this year.

## 4 SULTANS OFFER £1,000,000

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—The Sultans of four Federated Malay States have expressed their unanimous wish to offer the sum of £1,000,000 as a gift to the British Government to aid in the prosecution of the war. The Federal Council supports this desire and is introducing a resolution at a meeting on Feb. 20.

Nine months ago the Sultans similarly donated £500,000.

## \$191,100 Expenses For H.K.V.D.C. To Be Paid Out Of New War-time Tax: Police Launch Replacement

### Burgerdijk Sinking Revelation

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—The Captain of the Dutch liner Burgerdijk revealed in a press interview that the U-Boat instructed the wireless operator to send out an SOS that the ship was sinking after a collision. The U-Boat ordered the captain and crew to take to the boats; then torpedoed her.

The Berlin correspondent of the Basler Nachrichten reports that Germany is now blaming Holland for the sinking of the Burgerdijk. He states that in authoritative German circles it is claimed that any neutral ship submitting to enemy control or zigzagging on her course may legitimately be sunk whether she is carrying contraband or not, says a Reuter message from Zurich.

## EFFECTIVE REPLY TO GERMANY

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—The sinking of four U-boats in six days was an effective reply to Germany's declaration that she would sink any neutral ships which calls at a British port.

One of the submarines was sunk after it had torpedoed the British steamer Sultan Star, while another was trapped and sent to the bottom after it had torpedoed the British tanker, British Triumph.

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## ANTHONY EDEN IN PALESTINE

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, Dominions Secretary, is visiting Palestine and will tour the camp where the Australian forces which recently arrived in the Middle East are undergoing training.

#### PERSONAL MESSAGE

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—Reuter's correspondent learns that Mr. Anthony Eden has taken the occasion of his being in Egypt to convey a personal message of a cordial nature from King George to King Farouk.

#### REGRETS EXPRESSED

CAIRO, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—The newspaper Al-Ahram quotes the Egyptian Prime Minister as saying that, in his message to King George expressed his regrets that the outbreak of war prevented King Farouk and Queen Farida from accepting His Majesty's and Queen Elizabeth's invitation to visit England.

The report adds that His Majesty also expressed appreciation of the co-operation and help given and is still being given by Egypt to her ally and of his complete confidence in an ultimate and decisive victory for the Allies' just cause.

PARIS, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—The French War communiqué issued today states: "Yesterday, at nightfall, in the region to the east of the Saar, there was a local action between contact units."

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## Snowstorms In Balkans

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—Snowstorms of unprecedented violence are now raging in the Balkans, according to the German wireless, which states that all Rumanian traffic has stopped as most parts of the country are covered with thick snow.

Central Europe is still experiencing Arctic weather and a blizzard has stopped all Hungarian railway traffic. Snow is now falling in Budapest.

## ELDEST SON OF MR. ROOSEVELT PLANS DIVORCE

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—According to the New York Times Mr. James Roosevelt, President Roosevelt's eldest son, and his wife are planning a divorce action in the California courts.

The grounds for the suit are not known.

#### ASSURANCE ASKED

Sir Henry then enquired what steps were being taken to prevent the bell from being stolen and asked for an assurance from the Government that adequate steps will be taken to see that this is done. The Colonial Secretary said:

Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, acting Chairman of the National Relief Commission, left the Colony for Chungking, yesterday morning by plane. Mr. Hsu arrived in Hongkong from the Chinese, wartime capital last month and attended the annual meeting of the Chinese Red Cross Society held here sometime ago.







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## COMING EVENTS

**FEB.**  
16—Tides: High 1:16 a.m. and 2:05 p.m. Low 7:10 a.m. and 10:05 p.m. Sunrise: 6:56 a.m.; Sunset: 6:20 p.m. Entries close for All-Day Tennis Tournament in aid of B.Y.O.F. at R.C.C. 11:30 a.m.  
H.K. Tramways Ltd. annual meeting, 12 noon.  
"Star" Ferry Co. Ltd. annual meeting, Jardine Matheson & Co. 11:30 a.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Badminton Match—Y.M.C.A. Ladies v. Recreio Ladies.  
Exhibition of Chinese Art on Fans, Fung Ping Shan Library, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.  
Charity Bazaar at Chinese Chamber of Commerce.  
Ladies Working Party (R.W.O.F.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Helen May Inst. Christian Fellowship, 10:30 a.m.  
Toc H. Chater Room, St. Andrew's, 6:45 p.m.  
Catholic Cathedral: "The Way of the Cross," 5:30 p.m.  
S. and S. Home: Methodist Ladies' Mahjong Drive, 3 p.m.  
Theatre Club: Darts, Table-Tennis, Billiards.  
17—Tides: High 2:36 a.m. and 3:09 p.m. Low 7:30 a.m. and 11:40 p.m. Sunrise: 6:56 a.m.; Sunset: 6:20 p.m. H.K. Jockey Club Annual Meeting—First Day, 12 noon.  
R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance.  
Exhibition of Chinese Art on Fans, Fung Ping Shan Library, 10 a.m.—6 p.m.  
Cottage Club, Cavendish, 3:30 p.m.  
Luk Kwok Hotel—Dinner to Saigon Footballers by Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, 8 p.m.  
H.K. Govt. Trained Teachers' Union, Dinner Dance at Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m.  
18—Tides: High 4:53 a.m. and 4:16 p.m. Low 8:02 a.m. Sunrise: 6:55 a.m.; Sunset: 6:21 p.m. Semi-finals of H.K. Golf Club Junior Championship due for completion.  
Tennis Tournament in aid of B.Y.O.F. at H.K.C.C. 10 a.m.  
Claims against estate of Paul Lander due.  
Mixed Doubles Tennis Tourney at C.S.C.C. 2:15 p.m.  
Soccer: Saigon v. Chinese A.A. Federation, Caroline Hill, 3:30 p.m.  
19—Tides: High 7 a.m. and 5:28 p.m. Low 12:40 a.m. and 9:46 a.m. Sunrise: 6:55 a.m.; Sunset: 6:21 p.m. H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting—Second Day, 12 noon.  
H.K. Area Individual Novices' Boxing Finals, 5:30 p.m.  
20—Tides: High 7:55 a.m. and 6:35 p.m. Low 1:28 a.m. and 11:50 a.m. Sunrise: 6:55 a.m.; Sunset: 6:21 p.m. H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Third Day, 12 noon.  
Claims against estate of Chas. Maguire due.  
H.K. Area Individual Novices' Boxing Finals, 5:30 p.m.  
St. Andrew's Church, Annual Meeting, 9 p.m.  
Busy Bees Working Party Bridge & Mahjong Drive, Cathedral Hall, 3 p.m.  
21—H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting—Fourth Day, 12 noon.  
H.K.A.D.C. presents "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.  
Third H.K.V.D.C. Camp Starts.  
22—Launching at Kowloon Docks, 6:30 p.m.  
H.K.A.D.C. presents "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.  
Chess Championship continued.  
Y.M.C.A. Ladies' Night—Programme of plays by A.D.C.  
Theosophical Society: Lecture "Fourth Dimension" (Part 2) by Mr. A. Lebedev.  
H.K. Area Individual Novices' Boxing Finals, 8:30 p.m.  
23—H.K.A.D.C. presents "The Circle" at China Fleet Club.  
St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8:45 p.m.  
Institute of Engineer's and Shipbuilders: Lecture on "Television" by Mr. F. V. Reveley.  
Entries close for Dog and Cat Show, Kowloon, Guides and Brownies, Bridge and Mahjong Drive, St. Andrew's Hall, 3 p.m.  
Diocesan Old Girls and Old Boys Assn. Supper Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.  
24—H.K. Jockey Club's Annual Meeting, Fifth Day, 2:30 p.m.  
R.E.O.C.A. Annual Ball.  
Entries close for Colony Lawn Tennis Championships.  
H.K. Golf Club: Final of Stubbs Shield due for completion. First Round of Mixed Foursomes due for completion.  
Claims against estate of Helen Adelaide Harry due.  
25—H.K. Golf Club—Final of Junior Championship due for completion.  
26—China Light and Power Co. Hok Tin Station Inauguration, 3 p.m.  
28—Third H.K.V.D.C. Camp ends.  
H.K. and Shanghai Banking Corp. Annual Mtg., 11:30 a.m.

## LONGEST FILM

For how many hours can the average cinema-goer sit watching one film?

Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Gone With the Wind" (stars: Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh) is said to last 3 hours and 37 minutes.

It is the longest yet made. United States audiences saw it in full, but with an interval.

Other long films on record are "The Great Ziegfeld" (3 hours, excluding an interval), "The Good Earth" (2 hours, 20 minutes), "Anthony Adverse" (2 hours, 15 minutes), "Mutiny on the Bounty" (2 hours, 13 minutes) and "Midsummer Night's Dream" (2 hours, 25 minutes).

The longest silent film in English was "The Prodigal Son," made in 1923, which ran for hours, and was shown in two instalments.



Big moments in the life of the inventor of the telephone! DON AMECHE in the title role of Darryl F. Zanuck's production of "The Story of Alexander Graham Bell," opening on Saturday at the King's Theatre, is surrounded by LORETTA YOUNG, as his sweetheart, and HENRY FONDA as his assistant, Thomas Watson. In the upper right hand corner are GENE LOCKHART and BOB WATSON. The central figure of Ameche as he looks in this "Cosmopolitan" production for 20th Century-Fox was drawn by the distinguished artist, Norman Rockwell.

## Radio Programmes

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## ELVIE YUEN AND FR. RIGANTI FROM THE STUDIO

Talk by Fr. Byrne  
12:15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.  
12:30 Frank Crumit, Connie Howell, The Hill Billies and Reginald Foort in Variety.  
Vocal—I Can't Believe That It's You (Gilbert-Silver); I Cried For You (Lyman and Others); Connie Howell with Orchestra. Vocal—The Lady of My Dreams Taught Me to Play the Second Fiddle (Dahl and Others); The A. Special (Chie Sale-Bitterman); Frank Crumit with Orchestra. Vocal—Underneath Western Sky (film "Song of the Saddle"); Riding The Range In The Sky (Carlton); The Hill Billies with Their Own Novelty Accompaniment.  
1:00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.  
1:03 Tchaikovsky—"The Sleeping Princess" Suite.  
Sadler's Wells Orchestra conducted by Constant Lambert.  
1:30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.  
1:45 Dance Music by Billy Cotton and His Band.  
Fox-Trots—The Best of Friends; I'm A Little Frail Flower. Novelty Waltz—Mabel Maybelle's "Till Eide and Seck"; Fox-Trot—Korsey, Horsey (Roberts and Others). Comedy Fox-Trot—Oooooo-on Boom! Fox-Trot—Two Dreams Got Together. Comedy Waltz—The Man on the Flying Trapeze; Fox-Trot—I Can't Dance. Fox-Trot—By An Old Pagoda; Comedy Fox-Trot—The Zoo-Jah Tree.  
2:15 Close down.  
2:00 An Hour of Dance Music.  
Fox-Trots—On A Little Balloon Bridge; What Shall I Tell My Heart?—Roy Smack and His Hawaiian Serenaders. Swing—Melody In Riff. Monotony—Eddie Carroll and His Swing Music. Waltzes—I Can Give You The Starlight (from "The Dancing Years"); Waltz of My Heart (from "The Dancing Years"). New Mayfair Dance Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Mind Your Step; When The Lads Are Off To Dance—Otto Dobrindt and His Piano Symphonists. Tangos—Sierra Chica; Tango Mio—Juan Llosas and His Tango Orchestra. Swing—Swingitis; Swing As It Comes—Bert Pittman's Quintuplets of Swing. Fox-Trots—I've Got A Wonderful Feeling; Swing, Swing, Swing, Daughter Swing—Nat. Gonella and His Georgian Waltz—The First Quarrel; Slow Fox-Trot—Good-Night Angel; Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody. Tangos—Clancy Llover Y. Reiz; Juan Llosas and His Orchestra. Slow Fox-Trot—It's Wonderful—Sid Muiward and His Band.  
7:00 Closing Local Stock Notations.  
7:02 Variety with Gracie Fields, Margatroyd & Winterbottom, George Scott Wood, Bobby Breen and Charles Fitz Gerald.  
Comedienne—Out In The Cold. Cold Snow (Haines-Harper); Love's Last Word Is Spoken (Bixio); Gracie Fields with Orchestra. Humorous—The Seaside (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Clothes (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Margatroyd and Winterbottom (Two minds with not a single thought) with Monte Crick at the Piano. Piano—Piano Pie—Intro: Nobody's Sweetheart; Waggon Wheels; Why Do I Love You? Last Round-up; Whispering; Bon Bijou; Tell Me Tonight; Dinah; Mean to Me; Some-day I'll Find You; Night and Day; George Scott Wood. Vocal—Power Song (film: Rainbow on the River)—Bobby Breen. Vocal—You Were So Charming (Carr and Ida); I'm Your Slave (Brunelle and Tovey)—Charles (Gerry); Fitz Gerald (Tenor) with Orchestra.  
7:30 London Relay—The News.  
8:00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8:03 Studio—Concert by Elvie Yuen (Soprano); and Father A. Riganti (Piano).  
1. (a) Non conosco il bel suol (from "Mignon"—Thomas); (b) "Donde Lieto" (from "La Boheme"—Puccini).

Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Father Riganti. 2. Two Mazurkas (Chopin)—Father Riganti at the Piano. 3. (a) Venuto e L'Aprile (Donaudy); (b) Spirite Fur, Spirite (Donaudy). Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Father Riganti. 4. Two Songs Without Words (Mendelssohn)—Father Riganti at the Piano. 5. (a) Drifting (Grieg); (b) A Dream (Grieg)—Elvie Yuen (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Father Riganti.  
8:30 Haydn—Symphony in G Major ("Military").  
Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Bruno Walter.  
8:54 Studio—Talk on Psychology by Father G. Byrne, S.J. 1. My Own Back Parlour.  
9:05 Songs by Paul Robeson (Bass), The Blind Ploughman (Radclyffe Hall and Clarke); The Cobbler's Song (from "Chin Chin Chow"). Snowball (Carmichael)—with Orchestral accompaniment.  
9:15 London Relay—News Summary.  
9:30 London Relay—"World Affairs" by Wickham Steed.  
9:45 Compositions of Elgar.  
Like to The Damsel Rose (arr. Haydn Wood); Queen Mary's Song (arr. Haydn Wood)—Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Haydn Wood.  
La Capricieuse, Op. 17—Bromfield Huberman (Violin) with Siegfried Schultze at the Piano. Serenade in E Minor for Strings, Op. 20—London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Edward Elgar.  
Edward Elgar. Speak, Music—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with Piano accomp. by Gerald Moore. Contrasts, Op. 10. No. 3—London Philharmonic Orchestra cond. by Sir Edward Elgar.  
10:15 Songs by Essie Ackland (Contralto).  
Homing (Del Riego); Coming Home (Wynnot-Wilby); A Summer Night (Goring Thomas) with Organ accompaniment by Herbert Dawson.  
10:25 A Variety programme with Noel Coward, George Formby, Florence Desmond & Others.  
"Cavalcade"—Suite (Prologue—Tunes of 1890 to 1930—Epilogue)—Noel Coward and New Mayfair Orchestra. Vocal—Parisian Pierrot (Coward); We Were Dancing (Tonight at 8:30—Coward)—Noel Coward with Orchestra. Vocal—Did You Mean It? (Olson, Green); Have You Forgotten So Soon? (Nicholls, Gilbert)—Greta Keller with Fred Hardy and His Quintet. Comedian—George Formby. Medley—George Formby with His Uncle and Orchestra. Impressions—A Hollywood Bridge Game—Intro: Jimmy Durante, Zasu Pitts, Luce Velaz; Mae West—Florence Desmond.  
11:00 Close down.

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**NEWS IN ENGLISH**

Transmission I—News Summary	4:00 p.m.
Full Bulletin	5:00 p.m.
Trans. II & III—News Summary	6:45 p.m.
Full Bulletin	7:30 p.m.
do.	8:15 p.m.
do.	12:00 mid-night
Transmission V—News Summary	7:30 a.m.
Full Bulletin	8:30 a.m.

## SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time)

**Mondays**—Background to the News ..... 11:00 p.m.  
**Tuesdays**—Background to the News ..... 8:15 a.m.  
to the News ..... 11:00 p.m.  
In England Now ..... 11:00 p.m.  
Cards on the Table ..... 6:00 p.m.  
**Wednesdays**—In England Now ..... 6:45 a.m.  
Cards on the Table ..... 8:15 a.m.  
Masters of the Moment ..... 11:00 p.m.  
**Thursdays**—Masters of the Moment ..... 6:45 a.m.  
Background to the News ..... 11:00 p.m.  
**Fridays**—In England Now ..... 11:00 p.m.  
**Saturdays**—In England Now ..... 6:45 a.m.  
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London Log ..... 11:15 a.m.  
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Dorian Lancelot Hill, an undergraduate of Magdalene College, Cambridge, told a conscientious objectors tribunal that he was studying for the degree of Bachelor of Music but he only played the saxophone.



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## FEATS OF ENDURANCE, PATIENCE AND SKILL BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE

LONDON, Feb. 15 (BWS)—The difficulties, discomforts and dangers which face crews of the Royal Air Force aircraft who have taken aerial photographs of Germany, now being published, are revealed in records kept by the personnel engaged in these flights.

Since the outbreak of war R.A.F. reconnaissance machines have visited key points in all parts of the Reich as well as German islands.

**THE WEATHER**  
Weather plays the foremost part in their difficulties. On a single flight one aircraft encountered first lightning and then a snow-storm. At 20,000 feet ice formed on the aircrews.

A pilot took off his glove for a moment to adjust the controls and was frostbitten. Ice formed in masses on the wings of one aircraft at 1,000 feet while on its way to Munich.

Ice completely covered the front windows of the cabin and there was extensive ice formation on the main wings. Ice could be heard coming off the blades of the airscrews and striking the sides of the nose of the aircraft. Continuous movement of the controls was advisable to prevent them freezing up.

**FROST-BITE**  
Some members of the crew were in such pain from frost-bite that they butted their hands on the floor and navigation table. It is in such conditions that R.A.F. airmen collect information and photograph towns, fortresses, transport routes and naval and

## NO DECISION YET: U.S. EMBARGO ON EXPORTS TO JAPAN

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has postponed formal consideration of the proposals for an embargo on exports to Japan, but Senator Pittman predicted that the embargo resolution would be approved by the Committee at this session.

**INCENDIARY SHELLS**  
There are also what a pilot described as "incendiary shells." When they explode these shells discharge large red balls of fire that can be seen the whole way up. They eventually disappear without bursting.

Day reconnaissance is a very different matter. Though it is less handicapped by adverse weather it is exposed to an enemy that can see.

Every photograph that appears and every piece of information brought back is witness to the many feats of endurance, patience and skill of the personnel concerned.

## WESTERN FRONT Nazi Raiders Driven Back

### BITTER COLD WAVE: 28 DEGREES OF FROST

PARIS, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Despite shelling by artillery and trench mortars, Nazi raiders have again been driven back in disorder on the Western Front, it was revealed yesterday.

**EXCHANGE OF FIRE**  
Exchanges of fire between case-mates on the Rhine have also been reported.

The bitter cold wave still grips the Western Front and the thermometer has dropped to four degrees above zero Fahrenheit—28 degrees of frost.

**RAID REPULSED**  
In the region east of the Moselle, the German High Command continues to attempt to raid French posts with the object of capturing prisoners.

The latest attempt has again been repulsed.

It was supported by carefully planned artillery although the raiders were few and numbered about 50.

At the same time trench mortars sent their heavy projectiles hurdling down on the post itself. But the French artillery had not been idle.

**HEAVY BARRAGE**  
French gunners put down a heavy barrage of shells in front of the curtain of fire, coupled with shots from the automatic arms of the garrison, drove the Nazi raiders back in disorder.

**WAR COMMUNIQUE**  
A communique issued today states that an enemy raid failed to the west of the Saar.

A German cargo was captured and taken into a French port.

## WINTER BLIZZARD SWEEPS N.Y. CITY: WORST SINCE 1938

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—The first blizzard of winter is sweeping New York City. At least fifty were injured in a few hours and traffic was almost paralysed. It was the worst storm since 1938 and pedestrians were forced to cling to lamp-posts and ropes strung across the streets to prevent being blown over.

## CROSSWORD NO. 536

<p><b>ACROSS</b></p> <p>1. Bone of forearm</p> <p>5. Love intensely</p> <p>10. Yeast on brewing liquors</p> <p>14. Fome fruit</p> <p>15. Fold of a coat</p> <p>16. Elaborate melody for single voice</p> <p>17. Player's stake in poker</p> <p>18. Shutting out</p> <p>20. Point of the compass</p> <p>22. Major subdivision of geologic time</p> <p>23. Briny</p> <p>24. Gather by cutting</p> <p>28. Cancel</p> <p>29. Wing</p> <p>30. Gleam</p> <p>32. Covered part of locomotive</p> <p>35. Transfer for a price</p> <p>37. Point in tennis</p> <p>38. Ahead of</p> <p>40. Voiceless</p> <p>42. Heartwood of a tree</p> <p>43. Declare</p> <p>44. The sun</p> <p>45. Breach</p> <p>46. Still</p> <p>47. Pertaining to men</p> <p>50. Utter</p> <p>51. Song of joy</p> <p>52. Fleet of logs</p> <p>54. Seat of a University in Georgia</p> <p>57. Pinch</p> <p>59. Mount</p> <p>62. Pertaining to the force that manifests itself in lightning</p> <p>65. Wind instrument</p> <p>66. Air for single voices</p>	<p>67. Make reparation</p> <p>68. Wild plum</p> <p>69. Bristle</p> <p>70. Opinion</p> <p>71. Caused to</p> <p><b>DOWN</b></p> <p>1. Moraceous tree</p> <p>2. Cotton fabric</p> <p>3. Student of natural history</p> <p>4. Acute crest of mountain range</p> <p>5. High mountain</p> <p>6. Venture</p> <p>7. Work</p> <p>8. Abjure</p> <p>9. Wing of house</p> <p>10. Relating to the bottom</p> <p>11. Seed covering</p> <p>12. Disorderly behaviour</p> <p>13. Multiplied</p> <p>19. Lender of money at exorbitant interest</p> <p>21. Ugly old woman</p> <p>25. Dish for serving meat</p> <p>27. Pertaining to a luminous star</p>	<p>28. Analyses, as ore</p> <p>29. Unnoticed passing</p> <p>31. Frozen mixture</p> <p>32. Entable</p> <p>33. Scene of public contest</p> <p>34. Pertaining to a reed-like grass</p> <p>36. Before</p> <p>39. Remote</p> <p>41. Unmitigated</p> <p>42. Put on</p> <p>44. Non-metallic element</p> <p>48. Explosive used for blasting</p> <p>49. Ingredient of varnishes</p> <p>51. Beverage</p> <p>53. Untwisted filaments of silk</p> <p>54. Muddle</p> <p>55. Tropical plant</p> <p>56. Prehistoric chisel</p> <p>58. Compartment of window</p> <p>60. Heavenly body</p> <p>61. Garden vegetable</p> <p>63. Rodent</p> <p>64. Allow</p>
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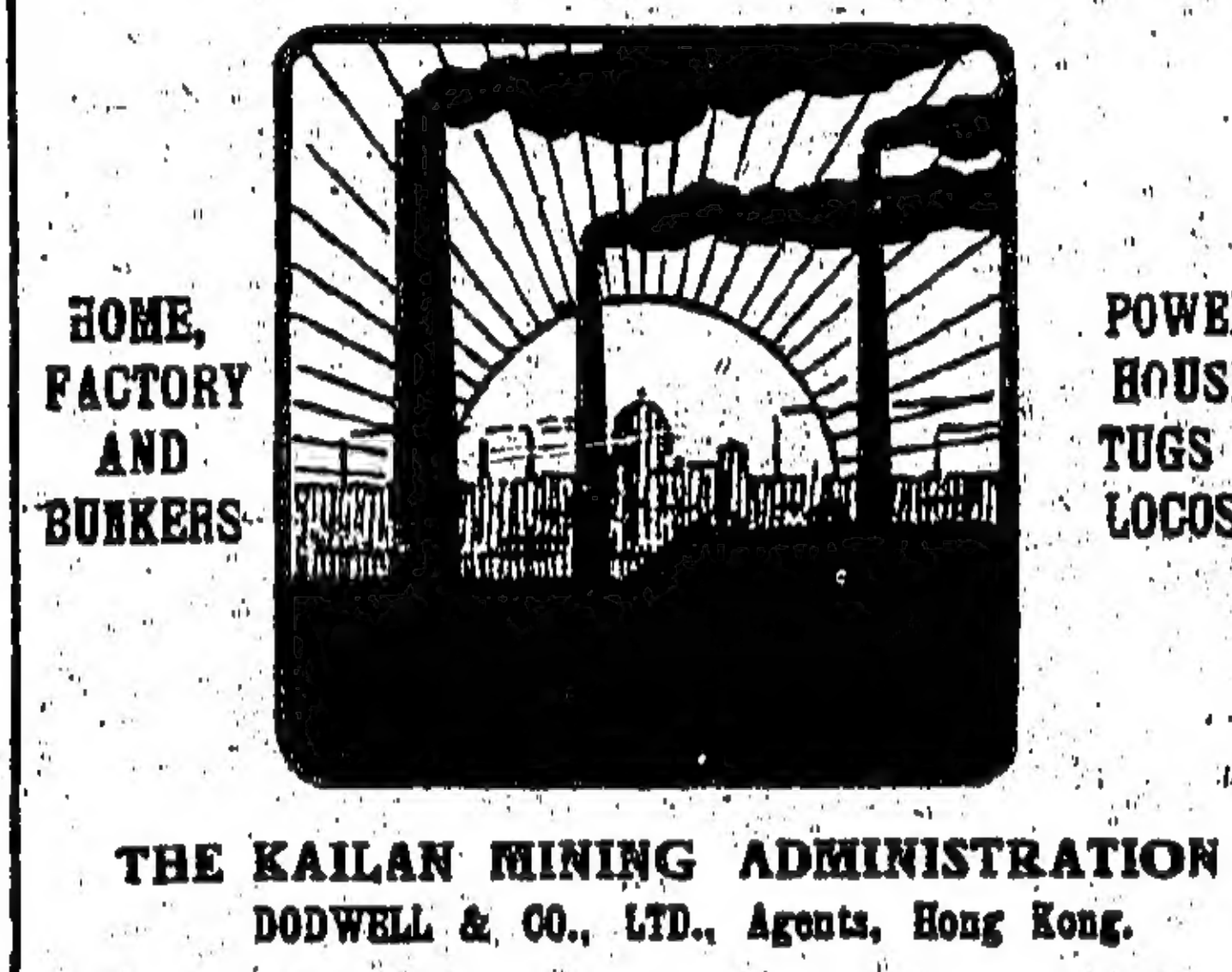
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## Government To Control Railway

### LABOUR MOTION DEFEATED

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—By a majority of 57 votes, the House of Commons, on Tuesday night, rejected the Labour motion for the nationalisation of inland and coastwise transport.

### GOVERNMENT SCHEME

The debate arose over the Government scheme, whereby the railways are guaranteed £40,000,000 profits for the year, while they are under Government control.

Mr. Morrison (Lab.) attacked the agreement on the ground that it guaranteed the Railways higher profits than they would have made in peace-time.

Captain Euan Wallace, Minister of Transport, said that the agreement had two merits. They were paying for the railways as they used them, with no postponed liabilities, and the scheme combined economy with efficiency.

### INCREASED WAGES

A day after the agreement was signed, he went on, railway workers had received an advance in wages. If left to themselves, the railways would have made much more than they will under the agreement.

Families of the Chinese soldiers fighting at the front were summoned on Wednesday to a meeting sponsored by the Spring Gifts to Soldiers Campaign. Each attendant was given \$2 and some gifts.

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## Record Revenue From Rents: Humphrey's Est. Meeting

A RECORD REVENUE FROM RENTS WAS REVEALED IN THE BALANCE SHEET OF HUMPHREY'S ESTATES AND FINANCE CO. Ltd., which was submitted at the Company's annual general meeting, held yesterday morning, in the Hongkong Hotel.

Mr. D. E. Clarke, chairman, presided, and was assisted by Mr. J. L. Quin, secretary, and the others present were Messrs. J. Scott Harston, J. M. Alves and H. V. Wilkinson (Directors), Mrs. D. Cowen, and Messrs. J. D. Humphreys, W. J. Hansen, and C. Bernard Brown (Shareholders).

### CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

In moving the adoption of the report and accounts for the last year, the Chairman said, in part:

The profit for the year, viz., \$201,588.67, can, I think, be considered satisfactory—as, excluding the profit on sale of land shown in the previous year's accounts, this figure is some \$22,000 higher.

All flats and houses were fully occupied during the year. The twelve additional flats in Argyle Street referred to in my speech last year were completed on Nov. 15 last, and our rent roll was augmented by receipts from that date. These twelve flats have been leased to the Military Authorities as officers' quarters, and I may mention that the construction and general lay-out have been very favourably commented upon. The demand for flats both in Hongkong and Kowloon still continues.

Referring to the debit side of Profit and Loss Account, most items are very similar to the previous year's account, although repairs show a small increase. On the other hand, Rents at \$313,921.63 are a record for the Company—this being due to the larger amount invested in Property.

### CROWN LEASES

The subject of expiring crown leases is very much in the minds of property owners these days, and although we are not immediately affected, there is no doubt that an early and equitable settlement of this question is very desirable.

It may be of interest to shareholders to learn our position as regards Crown Leases held for 75 years with no renewal clause. We have one small property with 23 years of the term still unexpired, and another larger

property with 33 years unexpired. All our other properties held under this type of lease have 38 years still to run before expiry.

### ALLOCATION OF PROFITS

I think I have dealt with the accounts as fully as possible, and trust you will approve of the proposed allocation of profits available. You will note it is proposed to transfer a sum sufficient to bring Building Improvement Reserve Account up to \$75,000.00. It is felt that the interior of some of our older properties need modernising, and it is proposed to proceed as opportunity offers with improvements in this direction.

I now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be adopted and that the balance of Profit & Loss available be appropriated as follows:—Pay a dividend of 7% on 200,000 shares \$140,000.00; Transfer to General Reserve \$25,000.00; transfer to Building Improvement Account \$25,380.00 (bringing same up to \$75,000.00); transfer to Special Repairs and Renewals Account \$11,380.00 (bringing same up to \$15,000.00); Carry forward \$36,539.53. Total, \$239,915.18.

The report and accounts were duly seconded and carried.

### OTHER BUSINESS

The retiring Directors, Messrs. J. Scott Harston, J. M. Alves and H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., were re-elected, in a proposal by the Chairman seconded by Mr. Wilde.

Mr. J. E. Jupp moved and Mr. Lee seconded that Messrs. Percy Smith and Fleming and Messrs. Linstead and Davies be re-elected auditors at a fee of \$600 each.

### ARRIVALS BY AIR MAIL

Mr. J. S. Stewart and Mr. E. W. Watkins, both of the staff of Imperial Airways, were arrivals in the Colony by the Imperial Airways plane Dorado yesterday. The plane brought 163 kilos of mail.

## PHYSICAL CULTURE INSTITUTE

### 2ND. ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATED

The second anniversary of the Hongkong Physical Culture Institute was celebrated yesterday at the Confucius Hall when an inspection was carried out by the Hon. Director of Medical Services and Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke.

The Institute which was formally opened on March 25 last year has shown considerable improvement on dietetic experiments of physical culture.

By the kind permission of Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, the boys' blood and faces were examined free twice during the first six months by the Government Bacteriological Institute. Mrs. Wang Shu-fong, who acted as Honorary Adviser, analysed the nutritive value of one of the menus for the boys.

### THANKS EXPRESSED

Dr. S. W. T'so, C.B.E., LL.D., introducing Dr. Selwyn-Clarke, said that the Committee of the Institute thanked the visitor who had come to make an inspection.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke said that the Institute, which had the able guidance of their Honorary Advisers, had improved immensely. The students had improved considerably in health. In conclusion, he wished the Institute another very successful year.

Amongst those present were Messrs. Ip Lan-chuen, Tong Yin-hang, Lui Yeh-suen and Fung Ki-chau.

### ST. DAVID'S SOCIETY

The annual dinner and dance of Cymdeithas Dewi Sant (St. David's Society) Hongkong, will be held at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on Friday, Mar. 1.

Reservations (\$5 a cover) may be booked through the Hon. Secretary, 3, Ventris Road, or the Hongkong Hotel. There will be dancing from approximately 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

For failing to draw his car close up to the left side of the road while stopping, V. M. Bendwell, of Sanitary Department, was fined \$2 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday.

## BENCH AND BAR PAY TRIBUTE TO LATE MR. P.M. HODGSON

High and sincere tribute was paid to the late Mr. Paul Mary Hodgson, solicitor, by Bench and Bar at an assembly of the Full Court yesterday morning.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, sat with Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser, and there were present a large number of members of both branches of the legal profession and officials of the Supreme Court.

The Chief Justice said:—Before dealing with the ordinary business of the day, it is only fitting that I should say a few words about the sudden death of Mr. Paul Mary Hodgson, to whom so many of us paid out last tributes and respects at his funeral yesterday evening. We all know Mr. Hodgson; know him and well, and there is not one of us here, I am sure, who does not love and respect him.

He served a long apprenticeship with the law—for 35 years, 33 of which he spent in this Colony, in private practice, as Acting Crown Solicitor and as legal adviser to a large corporation.

He was a man of unscrupulous honour, a man of the most lovable quality: one whose loss we all feel and feel deeply in many days to come.

I know it is the wish of everyone of us that I should publicly express from this Bench, on behalf of my brother Judges and myself, how greatly we mourn his passing and in what full measure our sympathy goes out to his widow, who is now on the way to this Colony.

On behalf of the Bar and the Colonial Legal Service, the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K. C., Attorney General, associated himself with the remarks of the Chief Justice, and added that he had had the privilege of knowing Mr. Hodgson for over 30 years.

### DR. S. W. T'SO

Dr. S. W. T'so, C.B.E., LL.D., with whom the late Mr. Hodgson had been in partnership, said: I feel deeply and appreciate very much the very kind references by your Lordships and the Attorney General to my late partner, Mr. Hodgson, and the kind sympathy and condolences to his family.

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton said: On behalf of the junior branch of the profession, to which our late friend Mr. Hodgson belonged, I would like to associate myself and the junior members of the profession with all that have fallen from your Lordships' lips and from the lips of the Attorney General.

The Law Society has sustained, during the last 12 months, two severe losses—first, Mr. F. X. D'Almada, Snr. and now our friend, Mr. Hodgson. Both were members of the Society and both were members of the Committee. We desire to extend to the family of the deceased our sincere sympathy with them in their bereavement.

### FUNERAL OF MRS. M. A. OGLEY

The funeral took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday of Mrs. Maria Antonia Ogley, widow of the late Sgt. Ogley, of the Royal Naval Yard, who died after a short illness at the age of 69. The Rev. Fr. L. M. Rossi officiated at the graveside.

The chief mourner was deceased's son, Mr. W. C. Ogley, who is connected with Lane Crawford Ltd. Many wreaths were sent.

### VAGABOND ROTARY MEETING

At the bi-weekly meeting of the Vagabond Rotary Meeting held at Café de Chine yesterday afternoon, Mr. K. Y. Wu spoke on conditions in the South, while Mr. J. P. Shea gave an amusing talk on his trip to Chungking.

Mr. Edward Shum was in the chair. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Y. T. Tsang, and the Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Omar Lao, were re-elected to their respective posts for the ensuing year.

B. R. Iremee, of No. 1, Kennedy Road, was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for driving a car in a closed road on January 17. For parking his car in the Pedder Street car park over the time limit, D. O. Loderaine, of D. Gecolmer and Company was fined \$5.

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## Dispute Over Accounts

### APPEAL AGAINST SUMMARY COURT DECISION ALLOWED

An appeal against the decision of Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, in the Summary Court, granting the application of Liang Fat Hek See for an account of the business of the Chung Hing Dispensary to be taken, was brought in the Full Court of Appeal yesterday by Yip Hay-see, managing partner of the Dispensary.

### APPEAL ALLOWED

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and Mr. Justice J. A. Fraser allowed the appeal with costs and stated that they would put their reasons in writing.

Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ, appeared for appellant, and the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva, was for respondent.

### REASONS OF APPEAL

The grounds of appeal were that the trial judge was, erroneous in holding that Liang, who was then a chemist and a "red" shareholder for the holder of gift shares, and was partially remunerated thereby, without having subscribed to the capital, was a partner in the legal sense of the word and, therefore, entitled to a partnership account; and that as the whole stock and credits of the business exceeded \$1,000, the action was not within the jurisdiction of the Summary Court.

### COLONY HEALTH

Four cases of small-pox (two from Victoria and two from Kowloon), thirty-seven cases of tuberculosis, two cases of enteric fever, two cases of cerebro-spinal fever and one case each of diphtheria, scarlet fever, chicken-pox and dysentery were notified to the Health Department on Feb. 14.

### TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Pleading guilty through a letter, R. De W. Waller, of the 20th Heavy Battery, R.A., was fined \$5 by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday for driving a car without an appropriate licence in Queen's Road, Central, on Jan. 10.

### Y'S MEN'S CLUB ADDRESS:

## CHINESE CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF P.I.

"There is no other race whose blood has been so inter-mixed with that of the Filipinos as the Chinese" said Mr. William Yinson Lee, in his address, to the Hongkong Y's Men's Club, at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday.

Mr. C. P. Wong presided and there was a large gathering of members and guests.

### CLOSE TIES

Dealing at length with the close ties between the Philippine Islands and China, which have remained unbroken throughout the ages, Mr. Lee said that Chinese intermixture with the Filipino was widespread throughout the country and the present-day Filipino had absorbed so much of the Chinese mode of thought that it had become part of his life.

The moral characteristics of the Chinese had likewise been transmitted to the Filipino, most notably the qualities of thrift, industry, tolerance. These were qualities which contrasted strongly with the lack of foresight usually exhibited by races of pure Malay origin.

### CONDITIONS IN ISLANDS

Tracing the intercourse between the two countries during the last six centuries, Mr. Lee described how the Filipinos had regained their freedom without rebellion or even asking for it, and gave his listeners an untainted picture of conditions in the Islands today. He said that the Chinese Filipino Association was best known in trade and agriculture.

The Chinese had contributed largely to the agricultural development of the country; in fact, the whole economic life of the Philippines had been permeated by the Chinese and Chinese business investments there today exceeded one hundred-million pesos (US \$50,000,000) which represented 60 per cent. of the total investments in commerce and industry.

### BANKING PROGRESS

In banking, the Chinese were second only to the British, who controlled 56 per cent. of the investments. Since the publication of those figures, the Bank of Communications had opened a branch in Manila and this would probably

lead Chinese banking to the forefront.

A few years ago the Chinese controlled a large percentage of the retail trade of the Islands, but this percentage had now dropped considerably owing to Japanese competition.

The Chinese contributions to the development of the Philippines might be summarized as follows:

They served as economic tutors; they owned vast investments in commercial and industrial enterprises; they were the dominant element in the retail trade; they were providers of credit facilities to farmers and businessmen; and they were the infusers of race quality into the Filipinos, as a result of inter-marriage.

These contributions had resulted in mutual benefits to both peoples, who for six centuries had been bound by ties of goodwill and friendship.

He paid a tribute to Mr. Kwang-son Young, the Chinese Consul-General, for maintaining unity among the various sections of the Chinese communities, whose main contention is in vying with each other in raising patriotic funds.

In conclusion he said that Manila is a wonderful place for a short holiday, an ancient city in a modern setting, with fine motor roads everywhere, and the people are extremely hospitable.


### CHINESE ART ON FANS

The third annual exhibition of Chinese art on fans, which will be continued today and tomorrow, began yesterday at the Tung Ping Shan Library. Mr. Ho Lok, former Commander of the Police Force in Canton, made a short speech at the opening. Prof. Hsu Ti-shan thanked the speaker and welcomed those present.

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- All vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nel-Chong will proceed clockwise round Happy Valley via Wong-Nel-Chong Road to the entrance gates.
- Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.
- Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.
- Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying on or near the Race Course is liable to be destroyed.

NOTE.—Kennedy Road will be open to light motor traffic from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

II. Extra Race Meeting during the year 1940—On days fixed for Extra Race Meetings.

One way traffic will be enforced in Wong-Nel-Chong Road. Kennedy Road will not be open to motor traffic.

PARKING OF CARS AT THE RACE COURSE.

- The Stand at the public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.
- Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.
- Venitris Road reserved for Public Cars.

T. H. KING,  
Commissioner of Police.  
Hong Kong, 16th Feb. 1940.

NOTICE

The Evening Institute will reopen on Monday, 4th March, 1940.

Entry forms may be obtained at the Education Office, Fire Station Building, or at the Trade School, Wansai.

W. L. HANDYSIDE,  
Director.

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONG KONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 16th day of February, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 2nd to FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
W. F. SIMMONS,  
Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1940.

ADVERTISEMENTS

BANK HOLIDAYS.

The Exchange Banks will open at 9.30 a.m. and will close at 12 noon for the transaction of Exchange business on Monday and Tuesday, the 19th and 20th February (RACE MEETING).

Hong Kong, 14th Feb., 1940.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

Notice to Shareholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FORTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF THIS COMPANY WILL be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on Friday, the 16th February, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 25th Jan., 1940.

MARRIAGE

WINTER-LUMSDAINE—On Feb. 8, 1940, at 20 Hollythorn, Hungjao Road, by the Rev. Roy R. Marken, U.S.N., Virginia Gladys, daughter of Mrs. G. V. Lumsdaine, of Shanghai, to John Bernard, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Winter, of Dagworth, Suffolk.

DEATHS

DA SILVA—On Feb. 6, 1940, at the Paulin Hospital, Shanghai, Maria Emilia (Malle) da Silva, aged 22 years, the dearly-beloved daughter of Mrs. Augusta Barros and Miss Amelia da Silva.

LING—On Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1940, at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Shanghai, Jessie Ling, aged 49 years, the dearly-beloved wife of Charlie Ling and daughter of Mrs. Annie Dooly.

MANDELKOFF—On Thursday, Feb. 8, 1940, at Shanghai, George William Mandelkoff, aged 25 years, the dearly-beloved son of Mrs. Marie Mandelkoff and brother of Mrs. John Slack, Mrs. M. Tremewan, August and Charles.

ALLEGED STOLEN PROPERTY

Receiving Charge Against Broker

Kwok Shun-chuen, alias Kwok Kau, unemployed broker, appeared before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Court yesterday charged with four counts of receiving stolen property, valued at \$14,750, the property of the Ta Kung Pao, between December 7 and January 12.

Mr. Peter H. Sin appeared for the complainant, while Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the defence and pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Sin told the Court that a clerk, formerly employed by the journal, stole the reels of newsprint and absconded from the Colony.

DEFENDANT ARRESTED  
The company made inquiries and found that the defendant had, at various times, taken the paper and stored it at the Wing On Company godowns in his name. The defendant was then arrested.

Mr. C. H. Blake, who is in charge of the Holt's Wharf godowns, Kwok Ka-nin, clerk employed at the Wing On Company godown, and Tse Tao-peng, secretary of the Ta Kung Pao, gave evidence and the hearing was adjourned to February 22.

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SUBMARINE WAR ON NEUTRALS

IF GERMANY has really embarked once again, as in 1917, on unrestricted submarine warfare against neutral shipping in an effort to cut off Britain's trade, she has chosen a course fraught with many dangers for herself.

QUITE APART from the arguments she may offer in justification, it is undeniable that no measure is more likely to stir up non-belligerent sentiment against her. The United States Government is already extending considerable aid to the Allies and that the extent of such aid is limited only by the popular demand that the country stay out of Europe's wars. Interference with American shipping to neutral ports and the death of American seamen could be made to play the same role in internal agitation as the sinking of the Lusitania in the last war.

HITLER MAY be basing himself, however, on the undeniable hardship caused to Britain during the "black days" of 1917 on the one hand, and the different official interpretation of American neutrality on the other. Secretary of State Hull has announced that, where it is adjudged that American ships were jeopardized by being forced into dangerous waters as a result of the British blockade, Britain and Germany will be held equally responsible for their loss at the hands of the Nazis.

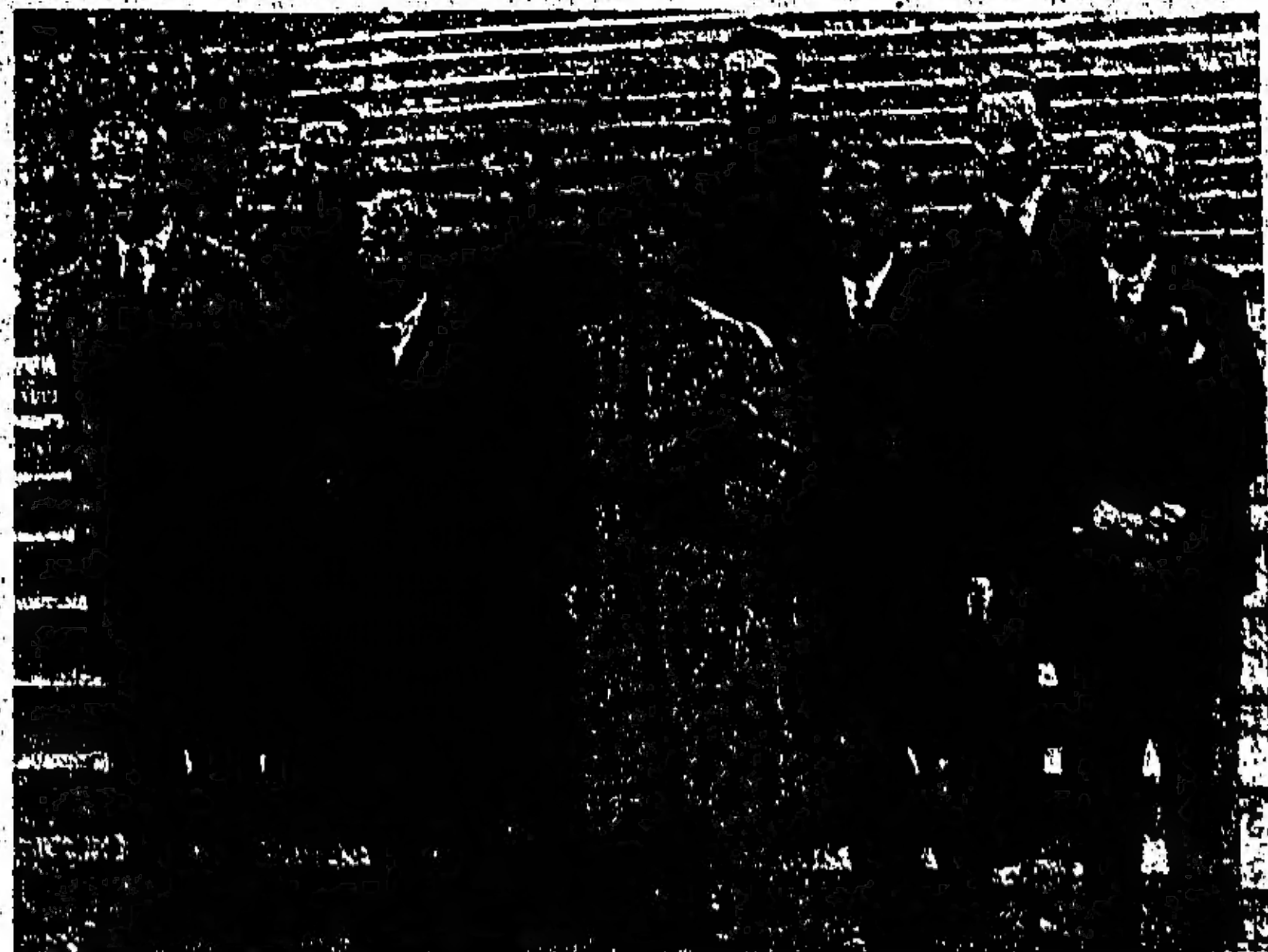
SINCE BRITAIN is not likely to waive her claim to search and, if necessary, bring into her own ports any shipping on which she wishes to keep a check, the situation that has now arisen leaves neutrals with only two alternatives. Either they must travel by devious routes to dodge the blockade, a highly difficult business, or they must place themselves under the protection of British convoys, because, though this would render them liable to be treated as belligerents, it would at least offer more safety than lonely cruising in submarine-infested waters.

A GREAT NEUTRAL POWER like the United States may, conceivably, use her diplomatic and economic weight to ensure her ships a modicum of safety even in the face of these conditions, with her flag alone serving as a guarantee. Japan and Italy can do the same by unprincipled speculation. Smaller neutrals will tend inevitably, in the eyes of one or other of the belligerents, to lose their neutral status.

A PLAIN FACT

MR. QUO TAI-CHI'S speech the Franco-Japanese talks, and a number of notable editorial articles that have appeared within the last few days in major British and American newspapers indicate a renewed interest in the Sino-Japanese war and an ever more unanimous conviction that Japan's continental adventure is doomed to failure.

THE QUESTION FOR CHINA is how this expressed conviction will be reflected in policy. Will the Powers draw from it the conclusion that now is the time to give maximum aid to the National Government so that Chinese resistance can finally be crowned with complete success and Japanese expansionism checked? Or will they attempt to "save both China



Picture taken yesterday at the Physical Culture Institute. On the extreme left is the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke with Dr. S. W. Ts'o, C.B.E., on his left. Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke is in the centre.

SECOND PHASE OF WAR IMMINENT: MASSIVE BLOW IS LIKELY SOON

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—"The second phase of the war will soon begin," said Sir Edward Grigg, Parliamentary Secretary for the Ministry of Information, speaking at Altrincham, Lancashire, yesterday.

Plea For Release Of More News

A protest against unfair treatment of newspaper men while carrying out their duties at ports and other places under Government supervision was made at the annual conference of the National Union of Journalists, at Leicester.

A resolution was passed asking the Government to instruct Service Officers and officials not to obstruct journalists, and requesting that journalists should be furnished with authorization cards.

The resolution stated: "Rumour, has gone unrefuted and enemy propaganda unchallenged because the Press has so often been deprived of its initiative, and prevented from exercising its will to serve the national cause by full and accurate reporting."

A motion was carried protesting against the unfair competition of the B.B.C. Mr. W. Irving, of the National Executive Council, said that when the Canadians arrived in this country on Saturday reporters were told that the story must not be released until the Wednesday. Yet the First Lord of the Admiralty gave the full story in his B. C. talk on Monday evening.

The conference, after going into secret session for an hour, pledged its support to the application of the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation for an increase in wages.

Mr. E. E. Hunter, a member of the Parliamentary branch, was elected president and Mr. Tom Foster, for many years general-reasurer, vice-president. (The Times).

and Japan" by taking advantage of the latter country's apparent exhaustion to advocate a patched-up settlement in the East.

THE FACTS of the matter are that the aims of Chinese resistance are far from reached and it is the fixed policy of the National Government not to abandon the fight until they are reached; and, on the other hand, that despite increasing difficulties Japan's energy is still far from being so spent that she cannot advance further either against China or against Third Power interests.

NOT AN ARTIFICIAL "equilibrium" imposed from without, but a China encouraged in her battle for independence and unconquered by futile and premature peace talk is the best guarantee that Japan will not repeat in other Pacific lands the infamies of her invasion of the continent.

Herr Hitler, he said, might launch a great offensive or might hold his hand. If Herr Hitler took the former course, he said, the British people would rise to the occasion as they always had done in the past.

Germany had the advantage of a much longer preparation in time of peace and her stock of munitions were certainly very large, he continued.

It would be significant indeed if she failed to deliver a carefully prepared and massive blow.

FOUR THINGS

Four things, he added, were needed for victory.

They were rapid expansion of the Allied fighting forces already formidable, though they were vastly increased; output of munitions; strong national finances; and a buoyant export trade.

LONDON GAZETTE

Supplement to Gazette of Friday, Jan. 25—

REGULAR ARMY ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Lt.-Cols. on completion of service as Regt. Lt.-Cols. remain on full pay (superannuation): C. F. K. Marshall, Oct. 31, 1939; W. B. Mackie, Jan. 1; B. E. Floyd, Jan. 1; D. A. Buchan, Jan. 1; G. F. Campbell, Jan. 1.

INFANTRY

R. Scots.—Lts. to be Capt. J. Mac. 28, T. R. Broughton, C. W. Mac. Ritchie, Jan. 29, G. G. Robson 2nd Lt. G. D. Dunlop to be Lt. Jan. 28.

ARMY EDUCATIONAL CORPS

Maj. L. F. D. Turner retires (age limit), Jan. 29, 2nd Lt. to be Lt. W. S. Mullin, P. R. Marshall, Jan. 28.

QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S I.M. NURSING SERVICE

Sisters resign appointments: Miss L. E. Day, Jan. 28, Miss M. M. Stewart, Jan. 31. Staff Nurses to be Sisters: Miss A. F. Adamson, Dec. 3, 1939 (with seny below Miss D. Bolland), Miss M. A. Beardall, Dec. 7, 1939.

Prov. Staff Nurses confirmed in appointments: Miss J. S. Mowat, Miss E. Conner.

Supplement to the London Gazette of Tuesday, January 23—

WAR OFFICE, JAN. 24

His Majesty The King is graciously pleased to approve the promotion of Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal, C.I., G.C.V.O., G.B.E., Colonel-in-Chief, Royal Corps of Signals and The Royal Scots (Royal Regiment): Controller, Auxiliary Territorial Service; Commandant-in-Chief, The British Red Cross Society; to be Chief Controller, Auxiliary Territorial Service.

Col. (temp. Brig.) M. D. Gambier-Parry, M.O., is appd. A.D.C. to The King (Dec. 13, 1939), vice Col. (temp. Brig.) F. E. Hotblack, D.S.O., M.C., promoted.

REGULAR ARMY

Col. (Local Maj.-Gen.) C. A. Bird, D.S.O., to be Maj.-Gen. (Oct. 1, 1939) with seny Jan. 4, 1938; Lt.-Col. E. G. Turner, D.S.O., from R.A.V.C. to be Col. (Jan. 18) with seny Jan. 1, 1938.

COMMANDS AND STAFF

Col. (temp. Brig.) F. E. Hotblack, D.S.O., M.O., from Brig. to be spec. empd. and to be Maj.-Gen. (Dec. 13, 1939) with seny June 20, 1938. (Substituted for the notified in the Gazette of Dec. 5, 1939).

ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Maj. to be Lt.-Col.: Oct. 31, 1939; Lt. G. R. F. H. Bell, M.O. (Jan. 1); G. M. Churmer, M.C. (Jan. 1); H. B. Birbeck (Jan. 1); W. A. Fausset (Jan. 1); F. E. Elliot.

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY IS NOT TO MOVE AS WHOLE INTO CHINA INTERIOR

BY GEORGE A. TARARIN

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

"If we move at all, we will just move the College of Agriculture," said President Lee, of Lingnan University, in reply to a query as to whether it was true that the Lingnan University was planning to leave its present quarters at Hongkong University for the interior of China.

With the above statement, President Lee dispelled the persistent rumours current in Hongkong to the effect that Lingnan University, with its respective colleges, was going to move as a whole into Free China.

Once forced to evacuate its beautiful campus and buildings in Canton, after the city had fallen to the Japanese in October 1938, Lingnan University resumed academic activities within a month on the premises of Hongkong University, through the kindness of His Excellency the Governor, concurrently Chancellor of Hongkong University, and the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. D. J. Sloss.

Ever since the two universities have been carrying on as usual, with the Hongkong University holding regular day-time classes and Lingnan using the same buildings for late afternoon and evening courses.

Whether or not Lingnan's College of Agriculture will move depends upon many considerations, the chief among them being political. According to President Lee, the Lingnan University authorities planned to transfer the Agricultural College to a locality near Kwungtung, but the plan had been indefinitely deferred on account of the recent Japanese war activities in that area. "We will see how the war develops in Kwungtung," added the President.

President Lee is of the opinion that most of the agricultural students will go with their college to Kwungtung, when it moves. "There is a great opportunity for them in Kwungtung, which needs agricultural students."

MANY QUESTIONS  
Since the students don't know the difficulties involved in moving, many questions and factors have to be considered before anything is done in this respect, said the President. They are:—

Permission and sanction of the Chinese National Government at Chungking.  
Choice of a suitable site and quarters.  
Safety of students and faculty from bombings and ravages of war.

Way of communications.  
Financial outlay and expenses of moving.

Student health.  
Significant are the words of the President when he said, "We want to try to be our students participate in this war of resistance... the spiritual baptism of fire. That is the chief motive for moving. We think we can help the country by moving the Agricultural College first."

When asked as to whether any other part of Lingnan University was to be moved, the President replied there were no such plans at the present.

What is the attitude of the Lingnan University student body towards this potential question?

A QUESTIONNAIRE  
Absolutely on its own initiative, and having no connexion whatever with the university authorities, the Lingnan University Student Union issued an interesting questionnaire to find out the consensus of opinion among Lingnan men and women students and faculty, regarding the moving of the university into the interior.

The return of Dr. Y. K. Chu, Dean of the Faculties at Lingnan University, from a trip of investigation of the academic conditions and educational problems in war-time China, as well as the publication of this questionnaire in a Lingnan weekly student journal, started the rumour, not corroborated by official sources, that the university was going to leave Hongkong and transfer to Kuomintang China.

An excitement was created in the Lingnan student body, when the questionnaire made its first appearance, all the recipients being asked to fill it out and drop it into the Lingnan Weekly Box. The main contents of the intriguing pamphlet, directly translated from Chinese, are as follows:—

"Since the downfall of Canton, our own university moved to Hongkong, finding itself in a very difficult situation. The continuation of classes in the Hongkong University, to which we are very grateful, has been going on for more than a year. Circumstances and difficulties in arranging the time schedules, make it necessary for us to have night classes, but the inconvenience of night attendance is too obvious to be mentioned again. In short, the disadvantageous effect upon the health, work, and the daily life of the faculty and students is very great."

TOPICAL CONVERSATION  
After the return of Dean Chu, who made an investigation of the public and private universities inland, the problem of moving our school has become the topical conversation of everyone.

Moreover, the Ministry of Education has ordered, "All public and private universities are expected to move into the interior."

The problem of whether to move or not the university has become acute, for it decidedly has something to do with the intentions and the individual interests of students and faculty.

In order to find out the consensus of opinion of both teachers and students, this weekly is now issuing this questionnaire. We sincerely hope that the faculty and students will cooperate with us in finding out the general attitude regarding the moving of our university.

Only three pertinent questions were asked, revealing the importance of the potential issue with its implications:—

Do you agree to the transfer of our university into the hinterland? State reason.

Do you disapprove of the suggestion that our university move into the interior? State reason.

If our university is moved, would you go with it? If not, state reason for not going.

The statistical results of the all-university poll conducted by the Lingnan University Student Union on this problem, are not yet available for publication.

PRESENTATION TO REV. & MRS. FRANK EVISON

The Rev. and Mrs. Frank Evison were the recipients of a handsome gift in the form of a gramophone from the congregation and members of the English Methodist Church last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Evison, who were married recently, are leaving for South China shortly. Mr. Evison had been connected with Church work in various parts of China before the hostilities and arrived at Hongkong two-and-a-half years ago. He has since been associated with local missionary work.

A dinner party was held at the Salors' and Soldiers' Home last night when the presentation was made by the Rev. J. E. Sandbach. Mr. A. T. Edwards congratulated the couple on behalf of the congregation and Mr. Evison suitably replied.

Nazi - Soviet Military Pact Reported

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter).—It is reported here that a Nazi-Soviet military agreement has been signed and will become effective if the war spreads to the Balkans, Near East or Scandinavia.

Reports of a military agreement are not confirmed in Berlin, where some quarters suggest that the rumours were "prepared in London to frighten Scandinavia."



# Hitler Orders Pitiless Warfare On Virtually All Neutral Ships

## Nazi Excuse For "Blank Cheque" For Destruction

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—New instructions that mean pitiless warfare on virtually all neutral vessels have been sent to German submarine commanders, according to news reaching here from Berlin.

The Dutch vessel, *Bergdijk*, which was sunk on Feb. 12, is believed to be the first victim of these new measures.

### BITTER COMMENT BY NEUTRALS

OSLO, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Germany's ruthless war on neutral shipping continues to draw bitter comment from neutral newspapers.

The leading Norwegian newspaper, *Tidens*, makes a drastic suggestion that the powers in Oslo must stop trading with Germany unless the Reich guarantee the lives of Scandinavian seamen.

### NAZI EXCUSE

The latest German excuse that neutral ships may be sunk even when they are being taken compulsorily to an Allied contraband control harbour is rejected by this newspaper, which says that if Germany continue to adopt this attitude the neutrals will have to revise their attitude toward the Reich.

This German claim was repeated yesterday when it claimed that the sinking of the Dutch vessel, *Bergdijk*, was legal.

The Captain of this ship stresses the fact that the U-boat commander refused to examine his papers.

### BRITISH PLANS

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—"We are ceaselessly engaged with plans for putting into execution defensive measures and counter-measures. These can only be judged by results," declared Mr. Winston Churchill, First Lord of the Admiralty, when asked in the House of Commons today whether he had taken adequate measures for the defence of trawlers and fishing boats.

Mr. Churchill added that he hoped that a very great measure of protection would be afforded to men in the North Sea in a very short time.

Naturally attacks on unarmed and small vessels could not have been expected, but it now appeared that every small vessel must be effectively armed to resist murder.

### AMERICAN SHIPS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Government quarters state that U-boats could legally sink an American ship which was forced into British control port only after it been ascertained that the vessel's cargo exceeded fifty per cent of contraband destined for Germany's enemies.

Little concern is shown by the authorities at the statement by a Berlin spokesman in defending and saying that American ships, holding the same status, would be fair victims.

### SEQUEL TO SPEECH BY DR. GOEBBELS

ZURICH, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—A big campaign in Germany, against the freedom of the neutral press, is expected to follow Dr. Goebbels' speech, according to the *Neue Zürcher Zeitung's* Berlin correspondent.

### REASON FOR OUTBURST

The reason for Dr. Goebbels' outburst is believed to be primarily the indignation aroused in Scandinavia and Holland by the submarine campaign against neutrals.

This correspondent says that the satisfaction felt over the neutral shipping losses can be clearly read between the lines of the German press.

The German public are not allowed to know that the ships are being torpedoed without warning.

### LAMAS PRAY FOR CHINA

LHASA, Feb. 15 (Central)—More than 30,000 lamas participated in a religious service at the Ta Chao Lamasery here yesterday to pray for China's victory.

Gen. Wu Chung-hsin, Chairman of the Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs Commission, who is here as a special envoy to attend the enthronement of the 14th re-incarnation of the Dalai Lama, was present at the service. He made huge cash donations to the lamas.

## BOMBING OF ITALIAN MISSION

### JAPANESE PLANES RESPONSIBLE

CHUNGKING, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—An alleged official document, which was received from the Italian Catholic Mission in Hanchung, South Shensi, is stated to confirm that Japanese aircraft, and not Chinese, as previously reported, were responsible for the two bombings of this city last October.

### RADIO REPORT

The document states: "Two months after the raids, a radio station in Germany, quoting a despatch from Rome, broadcast news to the effect that Chinese planes were responsible for bombing the Catholic Mission buildings in Hanchung on Oct. 25 and 30. This report was picked up by a reliable news agency and relayed around the world."

"When this Mission read the report, it wrote to the local Chinese authorities testifying that the report was without foundation."

"The Mission also requested the Italian Government to file a protest with the Japanese Government for its indiscriminate destruction of third-power property."

### HEAVY CASUALTIES

Thirty-five Japanese planes are said to have bombed Hanchung on Oct. 25, killing eighty-three and wounding seventy. About two hundred buildings were stated to have been destroyed.

In the raid on Oct. 30, Japanese planes are reported to have dropped eighty bombs, which resulted in ten casualties. The Italian Mission buildings were said to have been damaged in both raids.

### CHINESE VISIT HONGKONG

SHANGHAI, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Many Chinese took the opportunity to visit Hongkong, Yangtsepo and Chapel today as the Japanese decision that no passes would be required for these areas came into effect.

The majority are visiting the areas for the first time in two-and-a-half years since the start of the local hostilities in 1937.

## Chinese Unity Will Persist Despite Japanese Statecraft

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—It is probably true in Japan that they no longer expect victory, either through battle or seizure of territory, writes the *Manchester Guardian*. Their hope is that China will fall to them at last by sheer exhaustion and disunity.

The sufferings of China have certainly been immense and may be worse. Nevertheless, so greatly are the rulers and people changed since the days when they were the tools of any strong unscrupulous foreign power, that their essential unity persists despite everything the Japanese can do.

What their arms have not accomplished, the Japanese think they can achieve by statecraft.

The plan is simplicity itself. Generalissimo Chiang surrenders and becomes, with Wang, Japan's instrument for establishing her New Order in East Asia. The only difficulty is that the plan seems to have no particular relation to facts.

### JAPAN'S MAN-POWER DRAINED BY THE WAR

CHUNGKING, Feb. 15 (Central)—A foreigner who has just returned to Japan stated that the war is heavily draining Japan's man-power.

According to information he gathered, conscription has been held in Japan up to 36 times since the beginning of the war. Able-bodied men between 25 and 35 remaining in the country are now only about 15 per cent of the total population.

Qualifications for conscripts have been lowered in order to draft more men.

With large numbers of men away fighting women are doing most of the work.

### JAPAN AND ANTI-COMINTERN PACT

TOKYO, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—The Government has no intention of seceding from or denouncing the Anti-Comintern Pact, declared Mr. Arita, Foreign Minister, answering questions on the Tripartite Anti-Comintern Pact in the House of Representatives.

### WANG'S NEW ACTIVITIES

PEACE & NATIONAL RECONSTRUCTION LEAGUE

CHUNGKING, Feb. 15 (Central)—A Shanghai message states that a so-called "Peace and National Reconstruction League" is being organized by Wang Ching-wei.

WANG AS PRESIDENT

It will include the "Hsin Min Hui" (New People Society) of Peiping, "Ta Min Hui" (Great People Society) of Nanking, the "New Chinese Youth Party" and other pro-Japanese organizations as members, and will elect Wang as president.

Meanwhile, preliminary arrangements are being made for the formation of a bogus Central Political Council which will create the puppet Central Government.

A caution was registered against C. Lauritzen, of the Dragon Motors Company, for stopping his car in Des Voeux Road Central longer than necessary on Jan. 12.

## SOVIET TROOPS OCCUPY ADVANCE POSTS IN THE MANNERHEIM LINE

HELSINKI, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—A Finnish official communique issued last night admits for the first time that the Russians have occupied advance posts in the Mannerheim Line.

Another official communique issued today states that on the Karelian Isthmus the enemy continued their heavy attacks on Tuesday.

### SOVIET TROOPS MASSING IN CAUCASUS

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Havas)—Persistent, but unconfirmed, rumours assert that Russia is massing troops in the Caucasus, notably in the vicinity of the strategic Baku oil fields and the Baku-Batum pipeline.

It will be recalled that such concentrations took place at the beginning of the war, but the Red troops were withdrawn as a friendly gesture to Turkey after Sukru Saracoglu's visit to Moscow.

## This Is A World War CHINESE ENVOY TELLS BRITAIN

### INTER-ACTIONS OF CONFLICTS IN CHINA & EUROPE

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—At the National Liberal Club yesterday, 250 were present at a luncheon in honour of Mr. Quo Tai-chi, the British Ambassador in London.

### WORLD WAR

Speaking on the inter-actions of war in China and Europe, Mr. Quo said: "There is no European war. There is no Asiatic war. There is a world war."

"Whether here, where you have hardly started fighting, or in Asia, where we have already drained our blood and our resources, it is the same war, waged by the same opposing forces."

### CAVEAT ENTERED

"My first desire is to enter a caveat against the thinking which in effect would say 'Get the thing settled in Europe and everything else shall be added unto it.'"

"A European settlement, however achieved, settles nothing by itself even for Europeans."

"The Chinese coast means as much to you as the Baltic and the Balkans in every vital interest that you have."

### NINE-POWER TREATY

Referring to Mr. R. A. Butler's re-assertion in Parliament on January 31 that Great Britain intends to adhere firmly to the Nine-Power Treaty, Mr. Quo Tai-chi said: "Every year since 1922 makes that Treaty's provisions more, useful and more indispensable to international order and prosperity, especially to Anglo-American security and prosperity as well as to Chinese welfare."

### WAR MINISTER IN FRANCE

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Mr. Oliver Stanley, Minister for War, arrived in France today accompanied by Field Marshal Lord Milne. He will tour the area occupied by the British Expeditionary Force.

### AIR H.Q. VISITED

Air Headquarters at Army G.H.Q. which controls activities of R.A.F. squadrons working in co-operation with the Army have been visited by Air Marshal Barret, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief R.A.F. in France. The first task of these squadrons in the war was to protect the B.E.F. its transport, supplies and provisions, and they continue to perform this duty, as well as the more recent one of providing the Army Command with information about enemy dispositions.—(BWS)

Only on the Summa Sector, states the communique, has the enemy succeeded in occupying some of our foremost supporting points but a thrust checked them in front of our supporting points.

### ATTACKS REPULSED

Everywhere else, the enemy's attacks were repulsed with heavy losses for the attackers.

Thousands were killed and dozens of destroyed tanks were left in front of our lines. The fighting is continuing.

North-east of Lake Ladoga our troops dispersed all enemy attempts to thrust forward and a few tanks were destroyed.

### PATROL ACTIVITY

In the direction of Kuhmo (Central Finland), one Russian battalion was mown down and several "nests" were destroyed. There was lively patrol activity in other sectors.

### AIR BATTLES

The communique also mentions that the Finnish air defences were involved yesterday in a number of air battles and Finnish planes continued to successfully bomb the enemy concentrations and encampments.

Among other places, the Russians bombed Viipuri. It is estimated that during the day several hundred enemy planes were in action over the country. The Finnish fighters and air defences shot down 17 enemy planes, according to confirmed reports.

### COUNTER-ATTACKS

It is officially announced that successful counter-attacks were carried out today on the Karelian Isthmus. The fighting is stated to have been particularly sanguinary.

The Russians fiercely bombarded the Mannerheim Line.

### A NEW SPIRIT

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—At the opening of the third week of the Russian offensive against the Mannerheim Line, the Finns are fighting with something like religious fervour, which seems to be lending them strength beyond the ordinary powers of endurance.

A Finnish officer, who has returned from the front, says that the army has undergone a striking change of spirit since the beginning of the war. The heavier the fighting, the greater the unity.

### ADVANCE OVER ICE

Attempts by the Russians to advance over the ice towards the flanks of the Mannerheim Line apparently met with disaster, as the Finns put up shells throwing men and tanks through the ice, into the water.

Although the Russians have now installed advanced posts on the Summa Front, they are still faced with about ten miles of continuous "blockhouses, tank traps and other formidable defences."

## CABLE NEWS IN BRIEF

### New Colours:

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—His Majesty the King on Tuesday presented new colours to a battalion of the Irish Guards on the parade ground at Wellington Barracks.

He then went to the Tower of London where he presented colours to a battalion of the Welsh Guards.

On both occasions His Majesty wore the uniform of Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment.

### Indian Forces:

NEW DELHI, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Orders have been issued for the raising of three more battalions for the Indian Territorial Forces. Recruiting starts as soon as possible.

### Mr. Eden:

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—It was reported from Ankara on Tuesday that Mr. Anthony Eden would visit Turkey before returning home from Egypt. This was officially denied in London.

### Dutch Loan:

THE HAGUE, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—The Second Chamber of the Netherlands Parliament passed a Bill authorising the issue, shortly, of a semi-compulsory loan of 300,000,000 guilders. The Communists voted against the Bill.



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## How Hitler Uses Victims Of Conquests: Terrorism In Occupied Areas

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—A variety of topics was discussed by the British Press on Tuesday.

Commenting on Herr Hitler's use of his victims of conquest, the *Manchester Guardian* points out that a year ago, M. Coultre, the French Ambassador to Germany, at the time when Herr Hitler was taking over Czechoslovakia, was asked what was the real significance of this move.

In a letter on March 19, 1939, he suggested that Herr Hitler wanted to have at his disposal, at the time of war, a great reserve of labour power and that the Czech supply would help to fill up the war gaps.

### PROPHECY FULFILLED

This prophecy, says the *Manchester Guardian*, has come true. Not only has Herr Hitler got the Czechs, but also the Poles. These labourers are called Herr Hitler's coolies and the description is apt one.

A new decree gives labourers under Nazi control, who are not Germans, a special wage rate substantially below the German rate. This is how Herr Hitler proposes to reorganize Europe, the paper concludes.

### NAZI TERRORISM

The Times comments on German terrorism, which, it says, aims at eliminating the bravest, most distinguished, most learned and most able of the inhabitants which come under Herr Hitler's control.

### CURIOUS RESULT

The News Chronicle discusses the curious result of the evacuation of children from danger areas. This evacuation has given town children a taste for the country, it has improved their health and brought town and country children together.

But there is another result, of a more questionable value, the impact on dialects, for instance, the impact resulting from the meeting of the cockney boy and the west country boy.

## Impressive Scenes In Ottawa

### FUNERAL OF LORD TWEEDSMUIR

OTTAWA, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—A striking tribute to the late Lord Tweedsmuir's nobility of character was made by his pastor and friend in conducting the funeral service at the Presbyterian Church yesterday afternoon.

The Rev. Ferguson quoted from Lord Tweedsmuir's writings to show his Christian faith and nobility of character.

Deeply impressive scenes were witnessed in the snow-covered streets as the procession passed slowly through densely packed crowds, with bands of the Foot Guards and Air Force playing "The Dead March in Saul."

The pall-bearers were chosen from the Navy, Army, Air Force and Mounted Police. Nineteen guns were fired as a salute to the cortege proceeded from the Church to the railway station, where piping waited a lament as the coffin was placed in the train. The train then left for Montreal where the body was cremated.

### SOLEMN OBSERVANCES

Solemn observances were also held yesterday throughout Canada. Lady Tweedsmuir did not attend the church. Mr. MacKenzie King, the Premier, and the Diplomatic Corps were at station when the train departed.

### BODY CREMATED

MONTREAL, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Lord Tweedsmuir's body has been cremated. The brief, simple service was attended by Lady Tweedsmuir, Mr. Allister Buchanan (Lord Tweedsmuir's son) and a few other mourners.

## BROADCAST TO NAZI GERMANY

### Australia's Faith In British Cause

CANBERRA, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Mr. Archie Cameron, leader of the Australian Country Party broadcast from Australia to Europe yesterday. He addressed his remarks, in particular, to the German people.

### WAR AIMS

Discussing fundamental war aims, he said that the British Empire desires nothing from German owners. In the past, British countries provided homes for German emigrants, many of whom had been welcomed in Australia and were now part of it.

The British Empire merely insisted that Germany's neighbours shall be allowed to maintain their independence and state their own state of liberty.

### LESSON UNLEARNED

Germany was now meeting Australia again, with little learnt from the last war. Australians left, as they did in the last war, that they were participating in it, not because the Government ordered them to, but because they believed in the justice of the British cause. Seven Australian Division fought in the last war and others will follow them this time.

### THE FUTURE

Looking to the future, after the war is over, Mr. Cameron said they hoped political, civil and religious freedom would be established in Europe and that the small states could exist side by side with big ones without feeling a threat from one man or profit of a few.

## SOVIET ENVOY HEARS STATEMENT IN COMMONS

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—A general license has been granted to British subjects to enlist in the Finnish Force and license has been granted for recruiting organization, to be established in London, declared Capt. O. Peake, Under Secretary for the Home Office in a written reply to a question on this subject in the House of Commons yesterday.

### LEAGUE REVENTION

Peake added that his Majesty's Government was carefully considering this matter in the light of a resolution passed by the Assembly of the League of Nations on Dec. 14 on the subject of the provision of assistance for Finland.

It would be in their view, inconsistent with the spirit of that resolution that British subjects, who wished to volunteer for service in Finland, should be hindered by the provisions of the Foreign Enlistment Act, seeing that the act contains the power to grant dispensations.

In anticipation of this statement, M. Malsky, the Soviet Ambassador in London, was seated in the Diplomatic Gallery.

TUNGI, ANHWEI, Feb. 15 (Central)—Two Japanese transports passing by Tungli, in South Anhwei, while steaming up the Yangtze River were shelled and damaged by Chinese batteries early yesterday morning.

Five other enemy transports passing there shortly after noon were also shelled, suffering several direct hits.



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### SOFTENING CREAM—

## CHECK WRINKLES

### Jacqueline Hunt's Advice On Facial Treatment

UNLESS HER SKIN HAPPENS TO BE ABNORMALLY OILY, the woman past thirty will find a rich softening cream the most important beauty preparation on her dressing table. Of course, her creams should not be limited to one for softening—she needs a creamy preparation that contains lubricating as well as cleansing ingredients for daytime "freshening up" and for removing her make-up at night.

She needs, too, a creamy tinted makeup base that will prevent the surface dryness that comes from sudden weather changes or artificially heated houses during the cold months.

But it is her softening cream, it may be called a lubricating cream, a tissue cream or night cream—that does most to give her skin that soft, youthful look and prevent the formation of lines, wrinkles and crow's feet.

#### Pretty Special:

SOFTENING CREAMS are pretty special these days, being made with the purest form of lanolin which contains substances exactly like those present in the skin's own natural oils. This means that they are readily absorbed by the dried-out surface skin and some kinds of cream will disappear completely so your skin is soft and not in the least oily after a few minutes.

Apply softening cream only after your face and throat have been thoroughly cleansed. Smooth and work it gently over the throat and face, following approved facial massage movements or going through simple facial exercises as some beauty specialists recommend after the cream has been applied.

#### Taut & Smooth:

This exercises and tones the facial tissues and makes the skin taut and smooth.

Be sure to use your softening cream systematically. The very dry or sensitive skin needs its softening cream rather every single night—or day. Put it on before you have your nightly tubbing or in the afternoon if you have time for a

complete facial at that time. Leave it on for at least fifteen minutes then remove the excess oils (if any) with a soft cloth or tissue and finish by sponging the skin with skin frestener or cold water to give your skin a firm, clean feeling.

#### Complete Facial:

IF YOUR SKIN is more on the normal side or if it is merely dry and flaky in spots and slightly oily in others, you may find that every other day or even twice a week is often enough for a thorough lubricating job. Take time for a complete facial.

Your skin will need the all-over softening and will benefit greatly from the general stimulation that accompanies the creaming and massage. After fifteen or twenty minutes, remove the excess oil and lie down with a gauze mask wrung out of ice-cold tonic or a mild astringent pressed over your face. This will tone the skin and will help correct the oily areas by stimulating the oil glands to normal action.

Some beauty authorities insist that even the very oily skin needs softening—but only with a special blending cream that contains slightly astringent preparations.

One beauty specialist has a pincushion, rather heavy massage cream for the older woman with an oily skin. Get such a cream if your skin is more on the oily side but obviously in need of lubrication to improve its general tone and texture and to soften the lines about your mouth and eyes.



THESE DAYS, when so much attention is focused on the artistic dressing of the hair, every new hair ornament is of great interest to the woman who wishes to look smart and a bit different. Osa Johnson uses an African beaded fan. The beadwork on this hair fan, Mrs. Johnson declares, is the work of natives on the northern frontier of the Kenya Colony. It shows a decided Arabian influence, a hold-over, no doubt, from the days when Arabian traders pushed their way below the southern Abyssinian border into the heart of Africa.

## APPLYING JUNGLE COLOURS TO EVERYDAY FASHION

Dame Fashion, always seeking something new, may turn her eyes toward Africa for inspiration this year, says Osa Johnson, one of America's 10 best-dressed women.

"Already the newer trends indicate an African influence," Mrs. Johnson remarked.

#### Current Coiffure:

Take, for example, the currently popular coiffure. One can easily trace its origin to the belles of the jungle. The up-do in feminine head-dress is not new to Africa.

It has been a mark of high caste in certain of the tribes for generations. And now we see this influence reflected in coiffures of distinction among our own women of fashion.

Other adaptations from deepest Africa are becoming apparent, according to Mrs. Johnson, in the richness of colour so conspicuous in every woman's wardrobe at the moment.

For many years Osa Johnson and her late husband, Martin Johnson, intrepid explorer and producer of wild life films, traversed the game trails of Africa through jungle and across veldt. Intent upon making for posterity a pictorial record of the world's vanishing wild life, both animal and human.

Much of this work was conducted in conjunction with the American Museum of Natural History situated in New York City.

## You can't beat the Long V For Slimness

Many readers write to complain of their figures if they incline to bigness. "My dresses make me look so big," they say. So whether you are short and plump, or tall and big boned, you must concentrate on achieving smoothly flowing lines.

Keep the outline of your dress straight and smooth-looking and wear the dress to just above the middle of the calf in length—added length gives an impression of slimness; in any case fat legs should be carefully concealed.

Long sleeves and a long V-shaped neckline all help in the good work of taking off inches from the circumference.

A modest vest in fine lace to tone or contrast adds a decorative touch. The sleeves should be well-cut and the skirt given an inverted pleat in front only.

The back of a frock is as important as the front in order to achieve a slim effect. Shaped skirt panels are slenderizing.

The main thing to remember is to avoid all frills and fuss if you are inclined to bigness—with the help of a well-chosen foundation garment and well-cut silk undies there is no excuse for anything but a well-groomed appearance whatever your size may be.

## When Pockets Replace



### Handbags

Practical pockets on overcoats and suits are proving popular. This Schiaparelli suit in soft bronze-olive green, has, at the centre front of its jacket, flaps loose from waistline with brown leather bellows flaps at either side, matching leather buttons.

Another is camouflaged beneath a wrap-over front to skirt. A light green jersey cloth blouse completes this suit and a

pliable Glensarty shape combines the two fabrics in respective colourings.

An idea to obviate foraging in pockets for vanity cases arrives in the form bracelet on to which clip little leather powder and money bags and latchkey.

Need anything be said of the excellence of Remé's hat remodelling service so well known to the women of Hongkong? Suffice to say that her remodelling of headgear combines all the freshness and smartness of the new article and there is no limit to the style and designs she can turn out to please the customer. In addition, this Arcade establishment has a choice selection of hand-bags, gloves and novelties—those delightful little accessories that please and charm.

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## Points To Remember When Having Photographs Taken

IF YOU WANT A SIMPLE, NATURAL PHOTOGRAPH, wear your ordinary clothes and do your hair in the usual way. Plain sports clothes do not date easily.

#### Certain Charm:

If, however, you prefer a picturesque type of photograph, wear evening dress. Although a modern frock may appear old-fashioned in a year or two, if it is beautiful and becoming to you it will always have a certain charm, and invest its wearer with it too.

Ornamented chiffons, and printed materials are suitable only for the very slender. Velvet is an excellent choice for the older woman and furs photograph beautifully.

Anything in the nature of a picture frock is generally attractive. A round-necked, plain frock is not a good choice for anyone, as it does not give a distinctive line.

#### Don't Over do Make-up:

Don't overdo make-up, and be especially careful if you use lipstick not to apply it too heavily. Dark nail varnish comes out black in a photograph, but natural shade is an advantage.

The sheen and good grooming of the hair are of great importance.

## Round The Shops

Whatever the vagaries of Hongkong's weather, spring has been officially announced—and in the spring, women's fancies lightly turn, of course, to fashions to suit the season.

And with the advent of spring, milady does not forget that the first big event to give her an opportunity to be in the fashion swing is the annual race meeting at the Valley—So let's take a look round the Colony's dress-making establishments to find out what each of them have to attract and beguile the ladies—

#### Florsheim Shoes:

The latest in smart footwear—Florsheim shoes—are undoubtedly the thing for parading the lawns at the races. Lane, Crawford's ladies' salon has a proud display of these charming shoes. They can be obtained in all sizes and in such delightful colours, with navy, black, brown and dark green standing out for the perfectly shod foot. Prices are certainly reasonable and a rush for Florsheim shoes will certainly keep the sales hands busy during the next week.

#### New Stocks:

Mayo's, in the Arcade, the fashion house with the keen desire to please, are also preparing to meet the demands for spring wear. A new and wide shipment of dresses, modelled with all the chic and charm that the season calls for, is even now on its way and will be on display in this Arcade establishment very shortly. A special attraction in this new stock will be the large selection of spring hats—the latest models that give that polish and finish as accessories to spring frocks. Shoppers are awaiting their further announcements and Mayo's are already being besieged with inquiries for further details of the beautiful thing they are bring to Hongkong.

#### Spring Styles:

Spring styles at Rivelle's, in the Arcade, and a wonderful selection to feast the eyes upon. The latest models in floral prints and silk crepes are there to tempt and please and every taste is bound to be satisfied, no matter how exacting. And after milady has selected a frock for the races, she will turn to the forgores evening creations with which she can grace the ballrooms for the round of dances and dinners which are always a part of the opening of the racing season. Style, allure and charm are assured in these lovely gowns.

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#### The Perfect Portrait:

For a perfect portrait, call in and see Studio de Luxe, 4th floor, Pedder Building, says an advertisement on this page. Many have already been to the Studio and what they have seen has convinced them that this is where photography is a real fine art and where the studio's clients can get the best satisfaction. Elsewhere in this page are a few hints for those who contemplate having their photographs taken. Study these and leave the rest to Studio de Luxe when you visit them.

A visit to the studio should not follow immediately on a visit to the hairdresser. A day or two after a shampoo the hair will appear at its best.

Beautiful portraits are obtained by colour photography. If you are having your photograph done in colour, go to the studio exactly as you wish to appear in your photograph.

The colours are reproduced so accurately that any heavy make-up is disastrous. It must be applied with discretion, to achieve a natural appearance.

Lady Patricia Milnes-Gaskell, sister of the Earl of Lisburne, has given birth to a son at Wexford Abbey.

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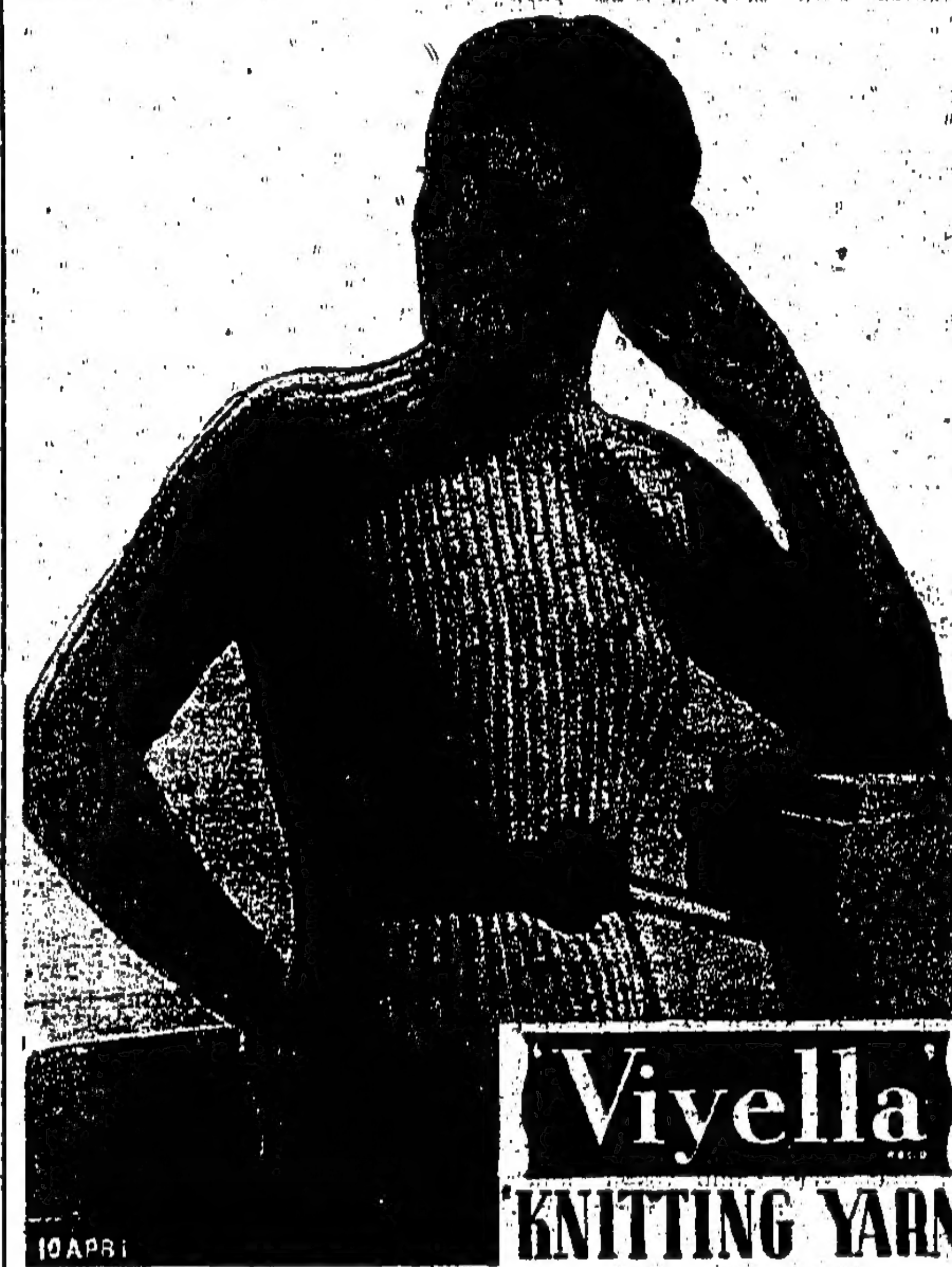
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## WEDDING AT REGISTRY

The marriage took place yesterday at the Registry, Supreme Court, of Mr. Wong Chak, building contractor, of No. 6 Wyndham Street, and Miss Liu Hong, of No. 10 King's Cross Street. Mr. T. J. Gould, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated at the ceremony.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The forthcoming marriages are announced of:—  
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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 15, 1940

On London:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 13/16  
Bank Bills, on demand 1/8 13/16  
Credits 4 months sight 1/3 1/8

On Shanghai:—  
On demand ..... 33 3/8  
On Singapore:—  
On demand ..... 52 1/2

On Japan:—  
On demand ..... 103 1/4

On India:—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/8  
and demand ..... 1/2 1/8

On New York:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 3/4 3/8  
Credits, 90 days sight 25

On Batavia:—  
On demand ..... 45 3/8

On Paris:—  
Bank Bills, on demand 1085  
Credits 4 months sight 1140

On Saigon:—  
On demand ..... 108 1/4

On Manila:—  
On demand ..... 48 3/4

On Bangkok:—  
On demand ..... 150 1/4

On Sterling Notes:—  
Bank Buying Rate 1/3 3/4  
Bar Silver per oz. .... 90 13/16

## Market Report

## FROM ROZA BROS.

Market  
Silver prices dropped yesterday to the extent of 3/8 for Ready and 3/16 for Forward, the quotations being 20.13/16 and 20.3/4 respectively. Silver advances reported Speculators as having sold. A small business was done. The market closed dull with sellers at 1/16 under the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York-London was quoted at 395.1/2.

Market  
Quiet, Steady but with hardly any business.

Sterling  
No business was reported. There were sellers at 1/27/8 February/May, buyers at 1/29/32 Cash.

U.S. Dollars  
Sellers at 24.1/2 March and 24.7/16 April, buyers at 24.5/8 Cash, 24.9/16 March and 24.1/2 April.

Shanghai Dollars  
Business was arranged at 345.345 1/2 and also 346. At the close sellers were quoted at 346, buyers bidding 347.

Shanghai Market  
Sterling sellers were quoted at 45/16 for Spot during the early part of the morning and towards the close there were sellers at 79/32 U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 7.1/16.

Afternoon Market  
The market was quiet in the afternoon.

Sterling  
The market closed with sellers at 1/27/8 April/May, buyers at 1/29/32 for any delivery.

U.S. Dollars  
Sellers at 24.9/16 Cash and 24.1/2 March, buyers at 24.5/8 Cash and 24.9/16 March.

Shanghai Dollars  
Sellers at the close were quoted at 352 for Spot.

Shanghai Market  
Easier. Opened with sellers for Sterling at 4.17/64 for Spot and towards the close there were buyers for Spot at 4.7/32.

## Shanghai Exchange

Shanghai, Feb. 15 (Reuters).  
Official T.T. Rates

London	0/4-1/8
New York	6-3/4
Japan	28-3/8
India	22-7/8
Paris	3.03
Hongkong	27-5/8

Sellers  
Opening Closing  
Spot 0/4-5/16 0/4-3/16  
Feb. 0/4-5/16 0/4-3/16  
Mar. 0/4-1/4 0/4-1/8

U.S. Dollars  
Spot 57-3/32 56-29/32  
Feb. 7-3/32 6-29/32  
Mar. 6-31/32 6-25/32

Market:—Easy.

Merchant Rates  
Sterling, 0/4-3/16.  
U.S. Dollars, 56-7/8.

Silver Duty Rate  
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/24.

The Equalisation rate was 9-1/2 per cent.

India Rupee Paper  
Bombay, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
Government 3 1/2% Rupee, 91-0-0

Calcutta Exchange  
Calcutta, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
T.T. on Japan, 79-3/4.

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## COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE &amp; CO.)

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 14, 1940.

SINGAPORE RUBBER

Previous	February 14	Change
Closing	Opening	
Buyers	Buyers	
38-3/4	38-5/8	38-3/4
APRIL-JUNE	38-3/4	36-5/8
JULY-SEPT.	35-1/2	35-1/4

LONDON RUBBER

Previous close	Today's close	Change
Buyers	Buyers	
12-7/8	12-13/16	off 1/16
APRIL	12-7/8	off 1/16
MAY	11-15/16	unch.
JULY-SEPT.	11	unch.

The market was very quiet.

NEW YORK COTTON: Southern selling and scattered liquidation was easily absorbed by broad Trade, European and Japanese demand.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The meeting of the International Rubber Restriction Committee is to be held on February 20 (Tuesday) and a reduction of 5 per cent. is anticipated. The Trade is reported to be selling against shipment purchases.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The absence of offerings on declines, despite further beneficial news in the South-West and lack of exports, was more effective than the bulk of the buying. Complaints of ridiculous cold weather conditions in Europe are becoming an important market factor.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 148.78; Today's close, 148.33; Change, off 45.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTERS SERVICE)

High	Low	Close	Change
11.00	10.61	10.90	10 up
19.12	19.02	19.10	08 off
99 1/2	98 1/2	98 1/2	4 up
50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	5 up
14.00	13.81	13.89	04 up

NEW YORK COTTON

Opening	Closing	Change
10.90/91	10.91/91	10 up
10.61/62	10.64/64	12 up
10.24/25	10.25/25	09 up
10.39/40	10.39/40	08 up
9.60/60	9.62/61	12 up
9.47 N	9.50/50	12 up
9.43 N	9.47/47	12 up
11.01 N	11.11 N	10 up

Total sales yesterday:—108,800 bales.

First Notice Day for March Cotton—27/2—Last Notice Day—15/3

NEW YORK RUBBER

March	19.10/10	19.02b/10a	19.02/02	08 off
May	18.64/84	18.57b/85a	18.54/54	10 off
July	18.32/32	18.24/24	18.17/20	15 off
September	18.05b/10a	—	17.95/98	10 off
December	—	—	17.00/00	—

Total sales:—1,270 tons.

First Notice Day for March Rubber—28/2—Last Trading Day—27/3

CHICAGO WHEAT

May	98 1/2	98 1/2	99 1/2	1 up
July	98 1/2	98 1/2	97 1/2	1 up
September	96 1/2	—	96 1/2	1 up

Tuesday's sales:—18,718,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN

May	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	1 up
July	56 1/2	—	56 1/2	1 up
September	56 1/2	—	57 1/2	1 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT

May	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2	unch.
July	85 1/2	—	85 1/2	1 up
October	85 1/2	—	85 1/2	1 up

NEW YORK HIDES

March	13.89b/82a	13.81/85	13.93/93	04 up
June	14.13/19	14.15/10	14.22/22	04 up
September	—	14.40/41	14.48 N	—

First notice day for March hides:—28/2/40 last trading day:—25/3/40.

New York, Official 34-3/4  
NY-London Cross Rate 3.96-5/8

## SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER  
London, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
Silver—Speculators sold. Poor support. Business small. Market quiet. In the afternoon, the market was dull, with small sellers at 1/16 under, but buyers were reserved.

Spot, 20-13/16d.  
Forward, 20-3/4d.

NEW YORK SILVER  
New York, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
Silver, Official, 34-3/4

BOMBAY SILVER  
Bombay, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
Market—Steady. Offerings 50 bars.

Indian Mint Silver  
Ready 58-02  
Mar. 4 Settlement 54-06  
Apr. 3 Settlement 65-10

## LONDON GOLD

London, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
Bar Gold, Fine per oz. 168

New York Exchange  
New York, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
T.T. on London (Opening Rate) 3.95-7/8

Calcutta Exchange  
Calcutta, Feb. 14 (Reuters).  
T.T. on Japan, 79-3/4.

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTERS SERVICE)

FEB. 15, 1940

STOCKS	Last Sale	Feb. 14	STOCKS	Last Sale	Feb. 14
Adams Express	7 1/2	7 1/2	Kennecott Copper	35 1/2	35 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	21 1/2	21 1/2	Lakey Foundry & Mac	4	4
Allied Stores	9	9	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	50	50
Allis Chalmers	37 1/2	37 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	31 1/2	31 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	98	98	Loew's Inc.	36 1/2	36 1/2
Amer. Can.	115 1/2	115 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	25 1/2	25 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	34 1/2	34 1/2	Martin, Glen L.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	12	12	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	18 1/2	18 1/2
Amer. & Foreign 7 1/2 pf.	12 1/2	12 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	110	110
American Gas & Elec.	35 1/2	35 1/2	Montgomery Ward	53 1/2	53 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	19 1/2	19 1/2	National Aviation	12 1/2	12 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	23 1/2	23 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	16 1/2	16 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	9 1/2	Nat. Distillers	24 1/2	24 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	15	National Gypsum	11 1/2	11 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	49 1/2	49 1/2	National Lead	20	20
Amer. Sugar Refining	21 1/2	21 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2	17 1/2	National Steel Corp.	69	69
Amer. Tobacco "B"	90 1/2	90 1/2	National Supply Corp.	9 1/2	9 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	9 1/2	9 1/2	New York Central	10 1/2	10 1/2
Anacosta Copper	27 1/2	27 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2	5 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	23 1/2	23 1/2	N. American Aviation	25 1/2	25 1/2
Auburn Motors	12	12	North American Co.	22	22
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/2	5 1/2	Northern Pacific	8 1/2	8 1/2
Barber Asphalt Co.	15 1/2	15 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	63	63
Barnsdall Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33 1/2	33 1/2
Bendix Aviation	30 1/2	30 1/2	Pacific Lighting	47	47
Bethlehem Steel	76	76	Packard Motors	3 1/2	3 1/2
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	13 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7	7
Boeing Airplane Co.	24 1/2	24 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	22 1/2	22 1/2
Borg-Warner	23 1/2	23 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	37 1/2	37 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	11 1/2	11 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	40 1/2	40 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	20 1/2	20 1/2	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	7 1/2	7 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	18	18	Public Service of N.J.	41	41
Brooklyn-Manhattan 8 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	Pullman Inc.	27 1/2	27 1/2
Canadian Pacific R'way	5	5	Pure Oil	8 1/2	8 1/2
Case, J.I.	68 1/2	68 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Celanese	29 1/2	29 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	41	41	Reading Company, 1st pfd	26 1/2	26 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	88	88	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	42 1/2	42 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	38	38	Republic Aviation Corp.	63	63
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	78 1/2	78 1/2	Republic Steel	20 1/2	20 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6 1/2	6 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	11 1/2	11 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	87	87	Reynold Tobac. "B"	40 1/2	40 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	46 1/2	46 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	12	12	Safeway Stores	49 1/2	49 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	31 1/2	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2	12 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	7 1/2	Sears Roebuck	84 1/2	84 1/2
Continental Can	45 1/2	45 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2
Continental Oil	24 1/2	24 1/2	Soccon-Vacuum Oil	11 1/2	11 1/2
Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	15 1/2	Southern Pacific	13 1/2	13 1/2
Corn Products	64	64	Southern Ry 5 1/2 pfd.	25 1/2	25 1/2
Curtis Wright (C.)	10 1/2	10 1/2	Sperry	46	46
Curtis Wright "A"	29 1/2	29 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	31 1/2	31 1/2
Deere & Co.	20 1/2	20 1/2	Standard Brands	7 1/2	7 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19 1/2	19 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	2	2
Douglas Aircraft	83 1/2	83 1/2	Standard Oil of California	24 1/2	24 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	18 1/2	18 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	44 1/2	44 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2	10 1/2	Stone & Webster	10 1/2	10 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	30 1/2	30 1/2	Studebaker Corp.	12 1/2	12 1/2
Elec. Autolite	36 1/2	36 1/2	Swift International	31 1/2	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	7 1/2	Technicolor	15 1/2	15 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5 1/2 pf.	58	58	Texas Corp.	45	45
Elec. Bond & Share 8 1/2 pf.	68 1/2	68 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	35 1/2	35 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7 1/2 pf.	29 1/2	29 1/2	Timken-Axle	22	22
Fisk Rubber	14 1/2	14 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2	5 1/2
Flintkote	20 1/2	20 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	11 1/2	11 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	54	54	20th Cent. Fox 5 1/2 pf.	24 1/2	24 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	38 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	84 1/2	84 1/2
Gen. Motors	53 1/2	53 1/2	United Pacific	93 1/2	93 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	16 1/2	16 1/2	United Aircraft	48	48
Gen. Tire & Rubber	21 1/2	21 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	15 1/2	15 1/2
Gildden Co.	18 1/2	18 1/2	United Corp.	21	21
Goodrich (B.F.)	18 1/2	18 1/2	United Corp. 3 1/2 cum pf.	41 1/2	41 1/2
Goodrich 5 1/2 pf.	64 1/2	64 1/2	United Gas Corp.	11	11
Goodyear Tire & Co.	23 1/2	23 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14 1/2	14 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	14	14	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	21 1/2	21 1/2
Great Northern Ry, pfd.	23 1/2	23 1/2	U.S. Rubber	37 1/2	37 1/2
Great Western Sugar	27 1/2	27 1/2	U.S. Rubber 5 1/2 pfd.	112	112
Greyhound Corp.	15 1/2	15 1/2	U.S. Steel	58 1/2	58 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	88 1/2	88 1/2	Vanadium	33	33
Homestake Mining	56	56	Walworth Co.	54 1/2	54 1/2
International Harvester	55 1/2	55 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	34	34
Int. Nickel	36 1/2	36 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	112 1/2	112 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	4 1/2	4 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	24 1/2	24 1/2
Johns-Manville	72 1/2	72 1/2	Chase National Bank	35 1/2	35 1/2
J. & Laughlin Steel 7 1/2 pfd.	59	59	National City Bank	29 1/2	29 1/2

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1939				Feb. 15, 1940.				
High	Low	Dow	Jones Average	Feb. 13,	High	Low	Close	Chan.
156.93	131.41	30	Industrial	148.78	148.83	147.85	148.33	.45
35.90	34.14	30	Rail	31.13	31.04	30.85	31.00	.13
37.70	30.70	30	Utilities	34.99	35.00	34.78	34.95	.14
38.23	34.51	40	Bonds	89.47			89.34	.13
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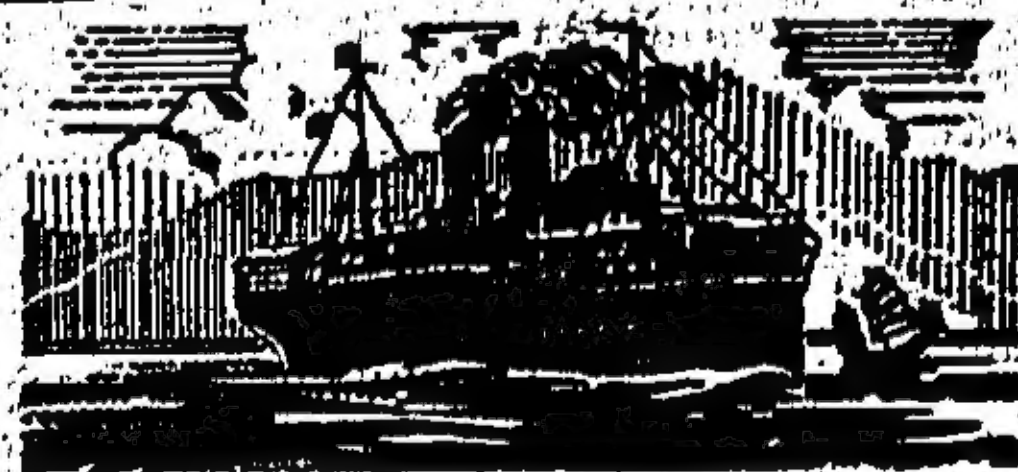
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## WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory  
10 a.m., Feb. 15.  
Barometer (at sea level), 30.29 ins.  
Temperature, 60 F.  
Humidity, 83 per cent.  
Wind Direction, East.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Temperature: maximum yesterday 72 F.  
Temperature, minimum last night, 57 F.  
Rainfall for 24 hrs. ending 10 a.m. today, nil.  
Total rainfall since January 1st 0.22 ins.  
Against an average of 2.05 ins.  
Sunset tonight, 6.20 p.m.  
Sunrise to-morrow, 6.56 a.m.  
4 p.m., Feb. 15.  
Barometer (at sea level), 30.19 ins.  
Temperature, 61 F.  
Humidity, 75 per cent.  
Wind Direction, ESE.  
Wind Force (Beaufort), 4.  
Maximum temperature, 68 F.  
Minimum temperature, 57 F.  
Rainfall, nil.

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 16 to 22 Feb. 1940.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Date of Week	Time	Date of Week	Time
Fri. 16	h.m. 01 18	h.m. 07 10	2 0
Sat. 17	02 36	08 30	3 1
Sun. 18	04 55	10 02	3 4
Mon. 19	07 00	11 40	3 1
Tues. 20	08 55	01 22	1 9
Wed. 21	10 30	02 08	1 1
Thur. 22	11 55	02 45	0 8

## Cholera Restrictions Removed

The quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of Palestine against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera have been removed.

Lieut.-Col. W. Keith Rollo, Director of the Rollo Tea Estates of Ceylon, Ltd., and only son of the late Keith Rollo, so long in charge of Wana Rajah, Dickoya, left £14,894 (net personality £7,995).

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Hong Kong, 1940.

## SHIPS LOST AT SEA

### THREE BRITISH VESSELS

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Two British tankers were lost in the North Sea on Tuesday.

The Gretafield was sunk off the North-east coast of Scotland and twenty-eight of her crew were rescued, while thirteen are missing.

The British Triumph (8,501 tons) capsized after an explosion, her crew of forty-two are safe.

### FIVE MISSING

A later message stated that five men are believed to be missing from the British Triumph. Twenty-one of the members of her crew landed at an east coast port and twenty-one at a second port.

### TWICE SHIPWRECKED

The sixteen-year-old wireless operator told how, twice in two months, he had been rescued from oil tankers sunk by explosions. It was his second voyage on a British boat and on each occasion he had been shipwrecked.

On Dec. 2 he was assistant wireless operator on the tanker San Calisto, which struck a mine and sank, he received an internal injury, necessitating an operation. He had only just recovered, when he joined the British Triumph.

## But He's Not Der Fuehrer!

LONDON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—Hitler is now on shore leave in England—no, not Der Fuehrer, but a cat from H.M.S. Repulse.

### SHORE LEAVE

The Repulse, which has been sunk time and again by Dr. Goebbels, but is otherwise unharmed, is now in dock, so that she can get rest and her men get shore leave. Half of the crew returned from shore leave yesterday and the other half are now enjoying a holiday.

With them went one of the ship's two cats, born on her last trip to sea. He is called Hitler!

### SAFE AND SOUND

A reporter who went on board the Repulse reports that she is "quite safe and sound" despite Dr. Goebbels. An officer told him that although she had no heroic sagas to sing, she put in 130 days steaming before returning to the base.

The British Triumph was attacked by enemy aircraft in the Great Yarmouth roadstead a fortnight ago.

### SHIP TORPEDOED

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—The Mackay Radio reports that the British steamer Sultan Star (12,000 tons) was torpedoed at 4.42 p.m. (G.M.T.) yesterday. Her crew are abandoning the ship.

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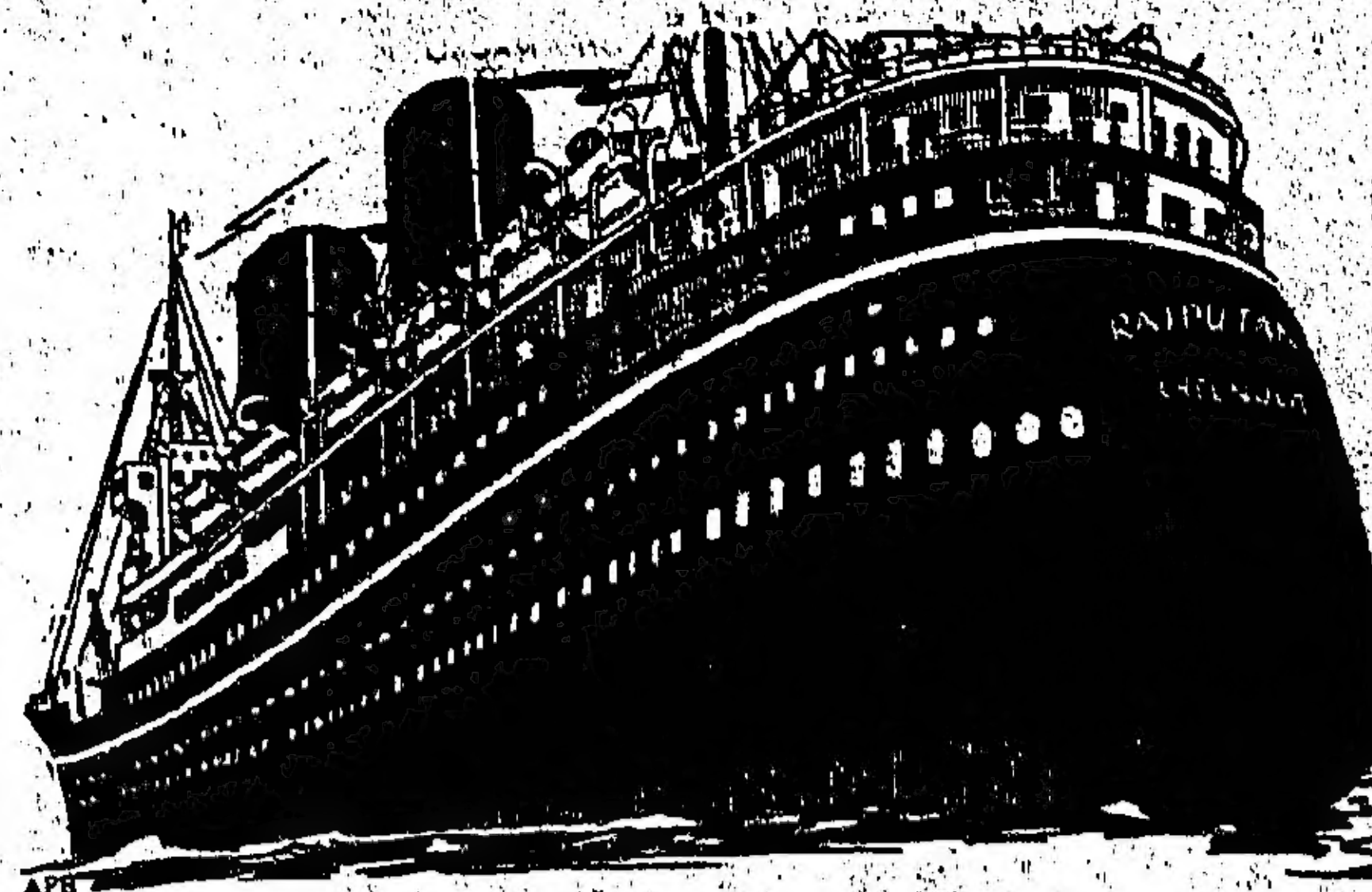
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# PROSPECTS FOR ANNUAL RACE MEETING

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of Confusion Bay, the Dunbar in form but has been improving by Bear Claw.

## BENDIGO HANDICAP

This six furlongs sprint for "A" Class Australians will be well contested. Lancashire Chips should be right up at the finish and very near winning, with Mr. Wei in the saddle. There are quite a number of well known sprinters entered and consequently the ultimate winner may be difficult to spot. Devonian (Mr. Black) is also in excellent condition while other probable starters are A Great Time (Mr. B. L. Tao), Cocklehol, Criffel and Courting Eve (Mr. Pih).

There is no news of Strathroy and I have not seen him in the mornings though reports are to the effect that this ex-champion does his work-outs later in the day. At the time of writing, my selections are Lancashire Chips, Courting Eve and Devonian. To those looking for bigger dividends, it would be well to follow A Great Time or Criffel, preferably the former.

## THE MAIDEN STAKES

It is difficult to ascertain the probable starters, but on the assumption that certain ponies, as mentioned above, will not be starting, until Monday, and Saturday, Dupont Bay and John-ber are reserved for The Trial Plate, the race will develop into a struggle between Racylight, Possible, Craigavad, White Diamond, O-Lan and possibly Greber. The start will be quite a facer in determining the eventual winner, but I believe Racylight should just about do the trick with Possible and O-Lan close up. Craigavad is dangerous and may upset here though, I think, would run better over a longer distance. White Diamond is the best one to follow, if you are looking for something to beat the favourites.

## SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES (FIRST SECTION)

In view of consistently good times returned during the past two months in training I nominate Australian Diamond as the winner. This chestnut will be ridden by Mr. B. L. Tao. Ascot Day (Mr. L. B. Chao) and Amicus Curiae, whom I understand will be ridden by Mr. R. B. Moller, will furnish the main opposition. Many

## H.K.V.D.C. EXPENSES

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total cost of \$42,000, had been placed the excess over the original estimate being attributable to the war) but only a first instalment of \$8,400 was paid to the builders in 1939. The remaining four instalments amounting to \$33,600 must be met in 1940 and a supplementary vote for this sum (of which \$23,600 is a revote) was requested.

In reply to a question from Sir Henry, it was stated that the tender for the launch was advertised in September last.

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo: An explanation should be forthcoming as to why the contract was placed below the estimates.

Sir Henry Pollock: It does seem unsatisfactory. If the contract was placed earlier it would not be necessary to spend this sum.

It was stated by the Hon. Mr. Purves in connexion with the P.W.D. vote for \$15,000 for the widening of Bowen Road and the building of a footway between Garden Road and Bowen Road. That the work was not completed.

## BORING COST

In connexion with an estimate \$72,277 for the Argyle Street extension (as more rock was encountered than was anticipated, which hindered the progress of the contract) it was explained by the Hon. Mr. Purves, in reply to a question by Sir Henry Pollock, that boring would greatly increase the cost.

In reply to the Hon. Dr. Li Shu-fan, the Hon. Mr. Purves said the refuse dump at Kun Tong was not filled as yet, and only a small fraction of the work has been done so far. The question arose over a vote for \$14,000 for retention money and maintenance of the dump till March, 1940.

An item for \$33,000 for emergency expenses of the Police Force arising out of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, was also questioned before being finally passed.

Thanks is a little backward in form but has been improving of late and may spring a surprise.

Melody Star is also worth putting a small bet on as this entrant will probably be ridden by Mr. Marshall and ran quite well in a recent try-out. Nancy Lee, Shuttlecock, A Good Time, Quick Despatch, Albury and Powerful Kid are others that may strip for this six furlongs race. Of these contenders, the last two should show up best.

## CURRAGE HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

This event is confined to "C" Class China ponies and is from the two mile post once round and in. There are 13 entries and the finish should be fought out between Boolat Bay and Dawn Star, with Galveston Bay, Dawn Star and Scenic View as others with fair chances of winning. The best outsider is Royal Highness especially if Mr. Needa is given the mount, as this jockey knows the exact way to handle this chestnut. Lovely Star may find the distance a little too trying.

## CORAL HANDICAP

I think Lucky Lad will prove too good for the field in this mile and a quarter race, although Baffin Bay is sure to make the favourite fight out every stride. The Dunbar nomination has been steadily improving and appears to me as the only one capable of extending the Lucky representative. A Grand Time will also be in demand but will not be allowed too much of a lead before coming into the straight. The old combination, Triumphant Day with Mr. B. L. Tao up, will have to be watched, as the jockey always gets the best out of this brown. Chiltern, Tornado Star and Winfred are also likely to be sent out here.

## THE TRIAL PLATE

This is the first leg of the Daily Double and usually an indication as to the capabilities of the Derby runners. Satinlight is my choice unless Spicylight is saddled instead. Dupont Bay may be sent out here instead of the Maiden Stakes and this pony will furnish the opposition to the Cirs nomination. Johnber is as game and true as they make them and as this pony is in the best condition at the moment his chances cannot be ignored.

Ohio has some nice gallopers to his credit but seems to have gone off a little and does not finish too strongly. For All Time has an outside chance. The Bu Tong Sen stable will probably rely on Bronze Arrow, but I do not like his chances at all. Craigavad, if started here, instead of earlier in the day should have a big following and will be dangerous. This bay should secure a place, at the very least.

## SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES (SECOND SECTION)

On paper the issue appears to be between two ponies, Sapper and Viceroy, with the former just about getting home. Perola d'Oriente and Pumelo may show up to advantage especially the former. Contact is an unknown quantity not having done anything of note in the morning gallops but being a nice easy mover will bear watching. Radon should be better over longer distance races. Cirs is quite fast and will run the favourites close.

## CURRAGE HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Advancing Time if taken out by a strong and experienced jockey should just about do the trick here, although Strathbannock, who is in fine fettle, and Salvage Master will make a bold bid for premier honours. Soldier of Britain seems to be getting on in years and has lost a great deal of vigour, but this grey is still worth a \$5 bet. This event is the second leg of the Daily Double.

## SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES (THIRD SECTION)

Far View, Sparrow and Sea Jay should put up an exciting finish between them and the result will probably be very close. Of the three, however, I personally prefer the chances of the first-named, who will be ridden by Mr. Pih. This is undoubtedly the best of the three Sydney Maidens as such entrants as Flying Dutchman, Vanity Fair and Franklin have all shown up well in recent work-outs and with the aid of a flying start may beat the better fancied ones.

My final selections will appear in tomorrow's issue.

# Another Nazi Ship Slips Out In Dash To Safety

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—With 60 tons of coffee, lard, cotton and grain aboard, the German freighter, Uruguay, 5,346 tons, of the Hamburg-South America Line, slipped out of Pernambuco yesterday.

## LAST OF TEN

She was the last of ten German vessels lying there to sail. At the same time, the Koenigsberg, 6,468 tons, the Norddeutscher Lloyd freighter, sailed from the Amazon delta, but is reported to have stopped later at Galvota Island some 75 miles down the estuary, presumably awaiting instructions from Germany.

The whereabouts of the La Coruna, a Hamburg-South America Line vessel of 7,000 tons, an oil-burning passenger ship, are still unknown.

## ADMIRAL'S STATEMENT

Rear-Admiral Sir Henry Harwood, in a statement to the Press, emphasised that H.M.S. Hawkins was not involved in any incidents with German ships, thus ruling out the possibility that the cruiser could have been concerned in the scuttling of the Wolsburg which, like the Wakama, is reported to have opened her seacocks off the north coast of Brazil when a British warship was sighted.

It is learned unofficially that H.M.S. Hawkins will remain at Rio for 48 hours instead of 24 as at first reported. The need for slight repairs to her machinery is given as the reason.

# "Pittman Assails Nazi Threat"

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—"Pittman assails Nazi threat to sink United States ships," and "Blames British also for Nazi claim of right to torpedo vessels in Gibraltar," are headlines under which the New York Herald-Tribune quotes Senator Kyr Pittman as saying that "it was unjustifiable and inhuman that such vessels could be submarined without notice."

Senator Pittman is also reported as saying: "It was also unjustifiable and inhuman for the German Government, or any other Government, to submarine a neutral vessel departing from a port of a belligerent country, especially an American vessel which Germany knows did not enter a port voluntarily."

# ROOSEVELT STARTS OFF ON HOLIDAY: UNUSUAL SECRECY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt entrained for the south on a holiday. It is understood that he will embark on the cruiser Tuscaloosa at Pensacola, Florida, for a short cruise.

White House has offered no explanation for the unusual secrecy as regards the trip, but it is thought that President Roosevelt might extend the cruise to a region where neutrality patrol vessels are keeping watch along the fringe of the Gulf of Mexico.

# FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

## Chinese Sentenced To Death

Lau Tin-yung, one of two men charged at the Criminal Sessions with the murder at Apamlin, on Nov. 5, of an old woman, named Lam Po, was found guilty yesterday and sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor.

Law Tan, second accused, was found not guilty and discharged.

## CROWN'S CASE

The Crown's case was that the two men had gone to the old woman's house to steal chickens and had strangled her when she attempted to cry for help. Both men denied having done anything to cause the woman's death, though both admitted the plan to steal chickens.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, assisted by Sgt. C. Mottram. Mr. Inglis Hosand, instructed by Mr. A. el Arcull, defended first accused, while second accused was defended by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. J. M. Hall.

# FOREIGN MAILS

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Shanghai	17th Feb.
Haiphong	17th Feb.
Shanghai	17th Feb.
Straits	17th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	18th Feb.
Canton	18th Feb.
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Japan	20th Feb.
Canton	20th Feb.
Straits and Manila	20th Feb.
Straits	20th Feb.
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Straits	21st Feb.
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U. S. A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 20th January).	22nd Feb.
Japan	22nd Feb.
Canton	22nd Feb.
Shanghai	24th Feb.
Shanghai	24th Feb.
Manila	24th Feb.
Shanghai and Amoy	24th Feb.
Haiphong	24th Feb.
Shanghai	24th Feb.
Manila	24th Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	24th Feb.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 18th January)	27th Feb.
Europe via Suez and Straits—London date, 15th December, 1939.	27th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.
Japan	28th Feb.
Haiphong	28th Feb.
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Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.

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Parcels	6.00 PM
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Amoy	8.00 AM
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Mon. 19th</b>
Canton	7.15 AM
Haiphong	9.30 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Fort Bayard, and Hoihow	1.30 PM
Shanghai (Parcels only)	2.30 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
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Shanghai	8.30 AM
Canton	10.30 AM
Shanghai and Japan	10.30 AM
Haiphong	2.00 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
Japan	8.30 PM
	<b>K.P.O.</b>
Reg.	6.00 PM
Ord.	6.30 PM
	<b>G.P.O.</b>
Reg.	6.00 PM
Ord.	7.00 PM

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